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When we took Dude Of Sport Anton Gunnarsson (page 48) into a newsagent, the vsagent insisted

on getting into shot. Any why not? He's a

cool-looking man.



CDs wrapped in FRONT

s. This is a

brill idea, plus





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when you want a lil Tommy Tank,

a lil elasti-wait and a big old stanky

roner, know what I mean? Keep the

Hey Matty. We have absolutely no

fucking clue what you're talking

SQUADDY LOVE

FRONT is the illest magazine

ever. I picked up my first

issue while passing through Ireland

on my way back to the U.S for R&R

from Afghanistan. This American is

Damn straight Rob, you fucking hero,

you. Don't miss out on a single issue

■ Robert Casillas, via Facebook

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front-imag. Stay safe dude!

that matter. Get our mag online in

luscious lovelies coming in and keep

on penning those blissfully irreverent

rag; as in, the best mag to read

comical pieces of literature.

■ Matty Smylie, via e-mail

about. Have a nice day!

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The mouth from which this month's finest jibbering is muttered will be dampened with a delicously brilliant case of Tuborg's finest.





GIRL SCARES MAGAZINE

FRONT! Stop fucking saving you're a men's mag! I am not a lesbo and I buy your mag! There are girl readers out there, you know.

■ Hari, via e-mail

HARI! We're sorry! You're kinda the reason we're afraid to speak to girls, if we're honest. We'll do whatever you want. Here, take our pocket money. Take our peanut butter sandwich. Just stop shouting at us. Please. Mummy?



WELL HAT'S THAT, THEN

Can you pleaseeeee tell me where I can purchase that

fucking rad hat Danielle is wearing on the front cover of issue 165?

■ Scott Roberston, via e-mail

See, the thing it, Scott, that hat is impossible to get hold of. It's been taken to a museum somewhere underground so when the world is invaded by alien bastards, some guy can stick it on his head and save the planet with his murder sword.



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that is best

to read

the magazine

PUT THE VODKA DOWN

Just writing to say congrats on another

absolut (love my voddy) -ly banging edition of my favourite non-rag mag, FRONT. What is a non-rag mag, I hear you ask? Well, it is a term that could well enter the wank-banking, bloody, ruddy lexicons of all purveyors of FRONT. A nonrag mag is,



Z FAMOUS FAN

computery form from frontarmy.com/

Hey FRONT. I play in The Ataris and I just recently

discovered your magazine. Just wanted to say it's great!

🔳 Bryan Nelson, via e-mail Correct Bryan Nelson from The Ataris. While we have you, do you have a pen and paper? We know it's kind of

embarrassing, but do vou want to have our autograph? Bryan? Hello? Bry? Hellooo?



BEN JONES

"We got totally wrecked on new year and decided to play around with a few fireworks. Firing a few rockets off my cock was a good idea, and a

great way to get rid of any unwanted hair," says Ben Jones. Ben, you are fucking brilliant and we love you. Thank you for





WITH TOM





ARE THERE ALIENS OUT THERE?



I think the government is purposely keeping a lid on a lot of things. That's why

Angels & Airwaves created a website called strangetimes.com. It's a bit like The Huffington Post with all kind of conspiracies and alternative headlines. This kind of thing used to

engineer a paranoia within me, and I couldn't disassociate myself from it. I used to lose sleep over that shit. I remember back when I made the Box Car Racer record, I was losing a lot of sleep. I was going out of my mind. I wrote a lot about it within that record.



But now I'm a bit better with it. Now it's a much bigger thing for me to read about those types of topics.



WILL SPACE TOURISM **BECOME A REALITY?**

I've met Richard Branson but I'm not sure if I'd go on his Virgin Galactic journey to

space. I know a lot about space. A lot of things can go wrong so I don't know if I wanna strap myself to the nose of a rocket until its seems that space travel is as easy as flying in an aeroplane. I actually believe the U.S military reached those levels in the '60s. I mean, the first anti-gravity

flying saucer was schematically drawn in 1911. That's how old it is. But that stuff disappears in the annuals. So I do think within the next two decades it'll be very commonplace to do those types of things.

Angels & Airwaves' single Surrender is out 16 Apri

YOUR FACES & ARTY WORKS



month but here's a drawing I did from the mag with Danielle on the cover. I did it to show you what I can do. I'll be back in touch after I've bought the next issue.

Pauli Bates, via e-mail

Hello Pauli, we've bolted the doors, thrown our computers into the road and put cotton wool in our ears to ensure your re-emergence is impossible.



OC WART WOOM MENN

TAKE COVER

My mate Joe Browne was 21 last week so we made his wildest dream come true. I put him on the cover of FRONT, along with his favourite things: women dressed as cats and loads of jokes you won't get. I promise they're funny as fuck. Matthew Sweeney,

via e-mail

If you think our holy covers look like something from Moonpig, we'll find you. Trust us. Love you!

U-S-EH?

Hey! I use your photos as reference for art quite a bit and always get funny looks from the cashiers at Barnes & Noble. Anyway, I just did this canvas based on the cover of your February issue, enjoy!

Emi Smith, USA

Emi, you know how when you go see art, it evokes senses of sadness, happiness and all that? Yeah, this invokes a sense of scaly melting mutant mermaid girls. Well done.

A READER LIES Yo, I drew this chick from your magazine. Safe. Tom Delves, via e-mail No Tom, you didn't. Thanks!



FREAK ON ALYSHA

It'd be pretty sick if you could publish my drawing. I don't have enough skill in me to sort Alysha Nett out with the tattoos, but she still looks stunning.

Anthony Kieron Avery, via e-mail

Face: good. Chest: okay. Back: alright. Foot growing out of bottom: wrong. Three out of ten for you, Anthony Avery. Back to school you go.



- A picture of you.
- A picture of you being an idiot-head.
- Your sexy artwork.
- A picture of you cupping your smelly genitalia.
- Anything else you think we'd like (please not your genitalia).

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"Our flatmate Drew constantly fucks with us, so it's about time he got publicly humiliated!" says snapper Callum Wilson. Look Callum -there's nothing

wrong with crossdressing, yeah? Just cos you might find it "humiliating" to be caught out in liberally applied Maybelline and a cloche hat, doesn't mean Drew is.



MY CHEMICAL ROMANCE

"My mates and I planned to do this to whoever passed out first," says snapper *Elliot Arnold*. Elliot, this is fucking beautiful. The mask, the mop, the forward thinking, the fact that you made the effort to drag Josh's puny, withered body into the garage to take it, just... all of it. Marry us?

DRUNK-OSAURUS WRECK

We appreciate this like an adolescent appreciates condoms, accutane and cocoa butter. This idiot. Gaz. should really know better than to pass out where there are cups, shaving cream, pubes and various other things to make tails with. Cheers to snapper Tomos Lloyd for placing the cups so pretilly.





GREEN WITH IDIOCY

"After waking up and finding out he was dyed green, Barney had to wear a Bag For Life. Unlucky Shipmate!" Richard Belcher, you bloody #LAD. You're absolutely

mental, mate!!!!!!1! You massive geeza, Richy pal. Bag For Life? You've got a screw loose, you bloody bloke, you! Top bants mate. Barney, where are your pubes? Is Barney nine?



WHAT A BUNNY JOKE

"After a few beers at a house party, some girls cut a hole where my dick was and replace it with a carrot. I was armed with a spatula." Thanks **Austin Farmer**, for sending in this picture of yourself dressed as a rabbit bumming a man. It's lovely. There's so much action going on in this. FYI, it's a ProCook 3000 stainless steel potato masher. Just, FYI.



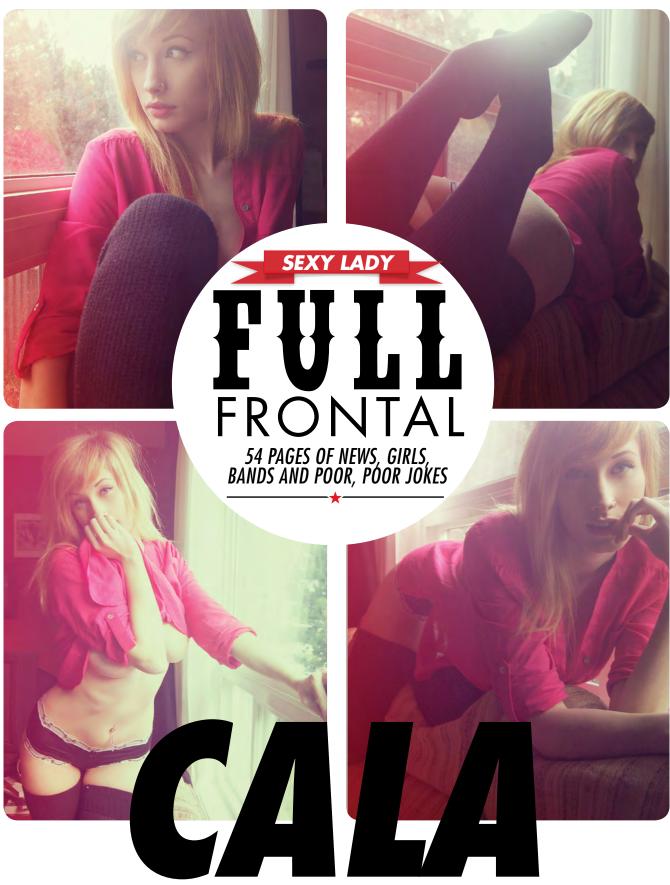
DVD about sexy spies (as you can see, the programme also features a nice pug)? Then simply take some permanent markers, squirty cheese and/or luncheon meat with you on your next trip to the pub. It will surely result in haha hilarity.

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IT MAY HAVE BEEN ONLY THREE MONTHS SINCE CALA LAST HIT OUR MAGAZINE, BUT HOT DAMN, WE'VE MISSED HER...

















SHIT TO GET PSYCHED ABOUT THIS MONTH

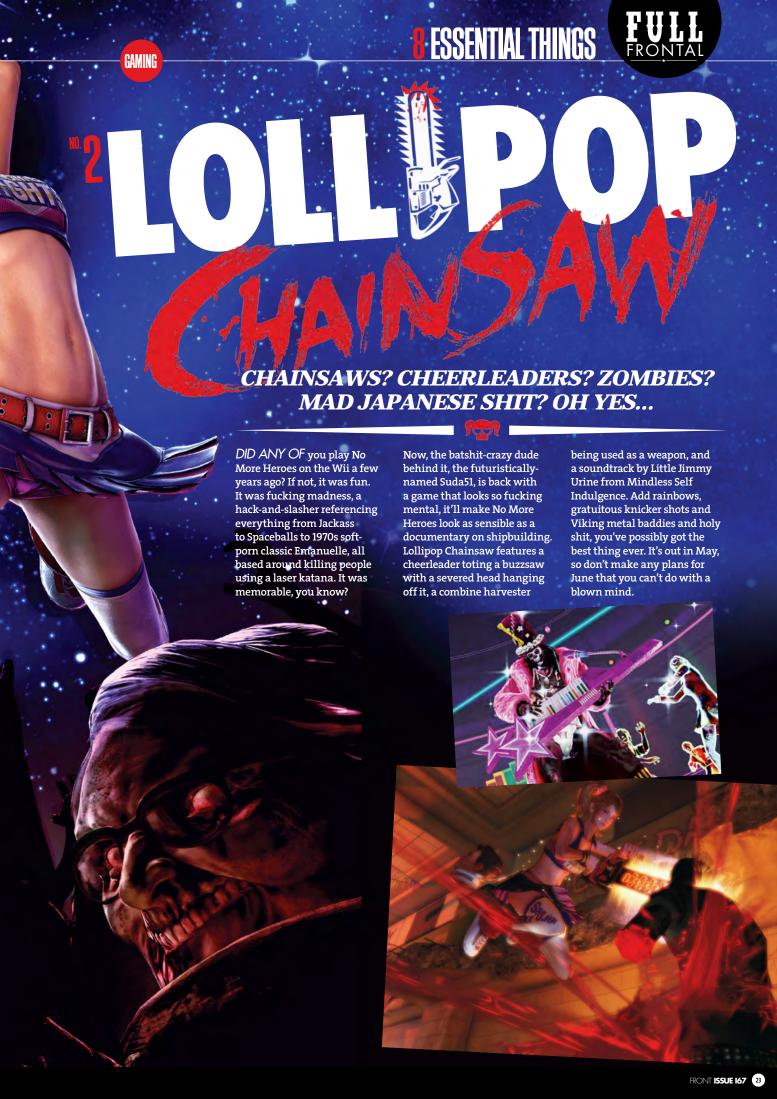


FRONT X ETNIES GO TRAINERTASTIC

IN NEWS we pretty much couldn't be prouder of, FRONT has teamed up with Etnies to make a shoe. We've never made a shoe before, and we've learned a lot in the process, Did you know, for instance, that making a shoe takes aaaaaages? But we got

there in the end, and we're chuffed as shit with it. It's a bit nautical, a bit sexy, and a teeny bit awesome. Make sure you pick up next month's issue for further details – come the summer, we want to see a lot of drunk people wearing these at festivals. We made a shoe!

WHY THIS WILL RULE THERE'S ACE PEOPLE INVOLVED As well as Jimmy Urine doing the soundtrack and voicing a baddie, Hollywood director James Gunn (Slither and web series PG Porn) is working on the English script. **SUDA51'S DONE IT** Goichi 'Suda51' Suda is a mental dude to be the CEO of a games publisher. He's a former undertaker who's shown up to press conferences wearing Mexican wrestling masks. IT'S CHEERLEADERS AND ZOMBIES, DAMN IT How wrong could that combination possibly go?







4GINGER SPICE

SPRING IS UPON US. SO LET YOUR HAIRS DOWN WITH LASHINGS OF ALCOHOLIC GINGER BEER



CRABBIE'S SPICED ORANGE

CLASSINESS: Beats Orange Wednesdays, orange girls, the R.E.M. song Orange Crush and actual oranges. GINGER FACT: In the run-up to the 1997 UK General Election, Ginger Spice, aka Geri Haliwell, claimed that Margaret Thatcher was the sixth spiritual

member of the Spice Girls. RATING: Berocca with alcohol, which is delicious. Really clears the old nasal cavities, we can sniff real good now.



WITCHWOOD BREWERY'S GINGER BEARD

CLASSINESS: What a tip-top creative name for a ginger beer because you see, it's like saying ginger beer, but it's not, it's saying about a man that has ginger facial hair and that's the trick. GINGER FACT: It is said that in Poland,

if you pass three ginger people, you'll win the state lottery.

RATING: Spicy flat shandy, too beery.



SAINSBURY'S TASTE THE DIFFERENCE

CLASSINESS: Italicised font and a sunset, we see what you're doing there, Sainsbury's. Blimey, do we feel relaxed and ready for an alcoholic alcohol. **GINGER FACT:** Gingivitis is bleedy. **RATING:** We can taste the difference here. This tastes slightly different to rain water and marginally different to partially-digested goose shit.



OLD JAKE

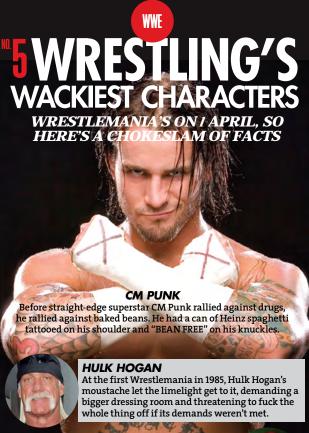
CLASSINESS: Guitar, palm trees, nice man. Pretty classy.

GINGER FACT: Late American actress Ginger Rogers married five times. The first was aged just 17 and the fourth was to a French man called Bergerac who was 16 years her junior.

RATING: This is made with Jamaican root beer, so you get the firey afterburn in the back of your throat. But, when you add ice, the burn dies.







THE IRON SHEIK

1980's wrasslin' icon, The Iron Sheik, is not in fact made of 100 per cent iron. He is actually 40 per cent nickel, 30 per cent cadmium, 25 per cent iron and five per cent guts/tummy/balls.



MICK FOLEY

One-eared wrestling legend Mick is best known for his characters Mankind, Cactus Jack and Dude Love, but he'll soon be debuting new characters Professor Dogpoo and The Pottery Soldier.



After a busy day, WWE CEO Vince McMahon relaxes by gathering a room of pug dogs together and slowly crushing them under breezeblocks. "I just find their deaths really calming," he laughs.





TRIPLE H

Superstar Triple H once applied for a deed poll to change his name to Sextuple H, thinking it would double his powers. He was going to be called Happy Hearty Healthy Horny Henry Hoover.

JOHN CENA

John Cena employs his catchphrase, "You can't see me" in life. At weekends, he paints his whole body in camouflage colours and tiptoes round ladies' changing rooms, chuckling and wanking.





THE ROCK

Wrestler-turned-Hollywood star The Rock made his name defeating The Scissors. He later lost to The Paper. The Scissors later beat The Paper though, so there's no way of knowing who's best.



Steve recently released a DVD of footballing mishaps by sponge-bottomed-trainer-wearing bone-disease sufferers. It's called Stone Cold's All-Gold Foam-Sole Bone-Mould Own Goals.





THE UNDERTAKER

The Undertaker is in fact the half-brother of Take Me Out presenter Paddy McGuinness. "You should see us in our jammies opening our stockings on Christmas Day" says Paddy, "it's a fucking mare".











SKATE MUSEUM

THE FUTURE OF STUTTGART'S FAMOUS SKATE MUSEUM IS IN YOUR SMELLY HANDS

HERE AT FRONT, we're not ones to give you bad news. But excuse us for the next few 100 words, cos something dead cool could end up dead, er, dead without our help. The famous Skateboard Museum of Stuttgart (that's in Germany, geography fans) is at risk of being closed forever, and that's shitty.

Housing a hell-load of super rare and super rad skate memorabilia, including the largest skate footwear collection in the world, rare decks such as Mike Vallely's Animal Farm board, scooters from almost as far back as the stone age and art from the likes of Andy Howell, Jeremy Fish and Todd Bratrud, the one-of-a-kind museum has been shafted by The Man after the building went under new management and ramped up their rental costs. Dickheads.

Skateboard Muesum Stuttgart Facebook page and donate a bit o' dosh. Every donation helps them out loads, and you'll forever have the knowledge that you've helped out the raddest museum in the entire world.





NT STEF LANGER STEF

MAKIN' FASHIONISTA WHO'S NOT TOO BAD ON A BOARD OR TWO. EITHER...

HELLO STEF. WHAT DO YOU DO, THEN? I'm a skateboarder and snowboarder and I study fashion amongst other things. WHEN DID YOU TAKE UP **BOARD SPORTS?** After my first snowboard trip to France when I was 17. I started skateboarding when I got back to England and I literally felt like I was addicted to it.

WHICH DO YOU LIKE BEST? That's like asking a mother to choose between her children.

WHAT'S IT LIKE BEING A GIRL IN WHAT ARE PRIMARILY **MALE-DOMINATED SPORTS?**

It never really feels like there are loads of guys cos I know loads of girls that skate and snowboard. It's a really nice community to be part of. I've met some awesome girls and the guys are pretty cool too.

WHAT'S THE BEST TRICK YOU'VE EVER DONE?

I'm not sure about the best one but backside flips on the

mini ramp skateboarding are one of my favourites, and a backside 360 over a big snow kicker feels pretty awesome. WHO ARE YOUR BOARDING **IDOLS?** There are a lot! Anyone

who has a good attitude and is having a good time.

WHAT'S THE BIG PLAN FOR THIS YEAR? Getting my first year of uni out the way and entering some more contests. I'll definitely go to Malmö in Sweden to visit friends, they have a really big girls' skate scene there and loads of awesome parks. I'm off to Paris on a trip tommorow, hopefully I can squeeze a skate in there.

WHERE DO YOU SEE **YOURSELF IN TEN YEARS?**

I really hope I've done most of the things I want to do. Go to Japan, build a DIY skatepark in my garden, be fluent in Swedish (I've been learning for aaages) and make a roast dinner as good as my mum's.

8 HIT THE DECK

WE CHAT TO ALED FROM KIDS IN GLASS HOUSES AND JAMES FROM DEAF HAVANA ABOUT THE UK'S FINEST ONE-DAYER..

ON A SCALE OF ONE TO 8,000, **HOW EXCITED ARE YOU TO** BE PLAYING HIT THE DECK?

A: Maybe 7,779. It's an honour to be asked to headline amongst so many great bands. WHO'S GONNA ROCK

FURTHER DOWN THE BILL? A: Spycatcher. We took them on tour last year, they're brill.

Check out Straight Lines too.

J: The Dangerous Summer. Their music is real, their lyrics are incredible and they are a great live band.

ARE YOU GONNA BRING THE PARTY TO NOTTINGHAM?

A: We have a few things in mind, but I wouldn't want to spoil the surprise. We promise good times and dancing. J: I'm gonna drink so much

I go blind and crowdsurf completely naked to scare the underage girls with my beer belly and stretch marks. HOW SHOULD THE CROWDS

PREPARE FOR YOUR SHOW? J: Bring your ballet shoes.

A: Maybe some lunges.

For the full Hit The Deck lineup, turn

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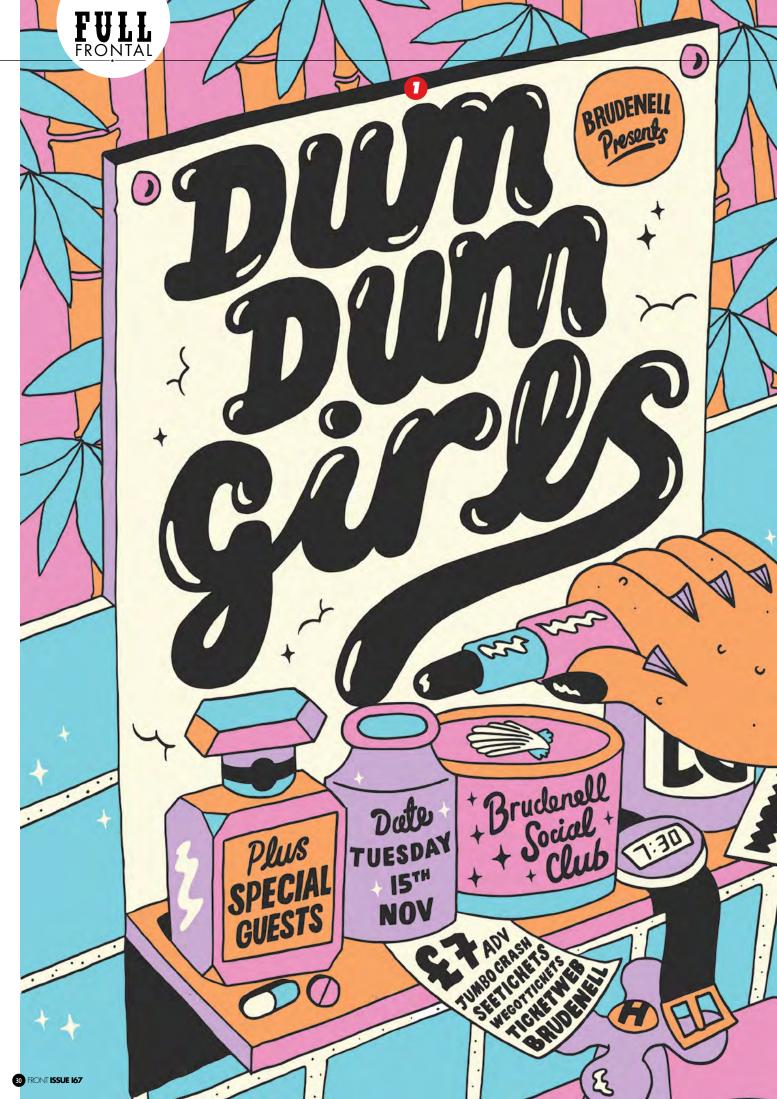












ILLUSTRATOR PROFILE

KATE PRIOR

THE AWESOME LEEDS LASS WHO LIKES AIR PUNCHING, WIGGED-OUT MUSIC AND WORKING IN HER ONESIE...



HEY KATE, TELL US A BIT **ABOUT YOURSELF AND THE** SPACE YOU WORK IN.

I'm a freelance illustrator based in Leeds. I studied Visual Communication here and never left. You'll find me working from the spare bedroom. I'd love a proper studio but working from home allows me to spend the maximum amount of time in my fleecy onesie. To me, that's super important.

TALK US THROUGH A TYPICAL JOB.

Often, the work I take on requires me to come up with the overall visual concept. I keep lots of books and collect inspirational imagery in various files. I also consult the 'laterbase' for ideas I came up with a while ago. Flicking through all these leads to some initial sketches which are usually performed whilst still in bed. I move to the 'studio' and begin to work on inking the sketch, then I scan the lines into the computer and fanny around with composition and colour in the digital realm until I'm happy. In between all of this there is a lot of singing, dog walking, internet lurking, panicking, air punching and crying.

WE WORK WITH SO MANY **DUUUUUUDE ILLUSTRATORS.** HOW ARE YOU FINDING FLYING THE FLAG FOR LADY ARTISTS AND

It's cracking! I aim to create work that looks like a boy did it and my influences are heavily masculine so I've found it pretty straightforward. There are some really incredible female illustrators kicking about at the minute like Sophy Hollington, Suzi Kemp and Hattie Stewart creating clever, gritty work.

DO YOU PREFER WORKING

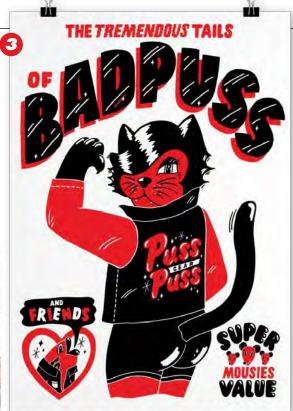
FREEHAND OR ON A COMPUTER?

I prefer to work freehand. It makes sense to me for the relationship between typography and illustration to be as organic as possible. Plus, I can never be arsed to find cool existing typefaces.

HAS IT BEEN EASY?

FRONT exhibition. for a pretty special called Spectrals.

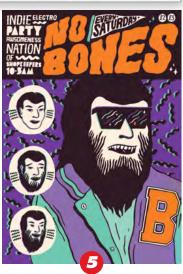
6 Flyer and poster design for Leeds club niaht No Bones







• Poster for Dum Dum Girls gig at my local, the Brudenell Social Club. 2 Limited edition A2 screen printed gig poster for No Age and Male Bonding. Badpuss screen printed poster for the most excellent Art Of Rare t-shirt desian local 'nu-wop' band



I just like to sit and draw what I'm visualising in my head.

WHAT ARTISTS/ILLUSTRATORS DO YOU LOOK UP TO?

Banksy. Just kidding. I've always had a lot of love for Frida Kahlo and the surrealism posse. I love artists who are able to produce the wildest shit from their heads. A list of my all-time favourites would include Ed Templeton, Jim Phillips, Robert Crumb, Yokoo Tadanori...

ANY WORDS OF WISDOM FOR **ASPIRING ARTISTS?**

Be inspired by everything, even if you're feeling down or someone calls you a poop mouth - draw inspiration from it, dummy! Listen to wigged-out music. Look at funny pictures on the internet. Become obsessed with what you do but also go out and have fun. Be dedicated and don't give up. You're awesome!

"BE INSPIRED BY EVERYTHING, EVEN IF YOU'RE FEELING DOWN OR SOMEONE CALLS YOU A POOP MOUTH"



MARDI GRAS

WHAT? Mardi Gras Carnival. WHERE? New Orleans, USA. WHO THERE? Men, women, gorillas, skeletons, pirates, a Smurf on a mobility scooter. THE LOOK: Mentally hindered. **BEST BIT:** Apparently Will Ferrell was there dressed like a king. Will. Fucking. Ferrell **WORST BIT**: Hyper-sexual grandmas playing with their plastic vaginas.

A LOT OF foreign phrases just sound cooler in their own language. When something's described as having a certain je ne sais quoi, that sounds way cooler than in English, where it just means 'I dunno what'. Likewise, Fat Tuesday sounds fucking rubbish, while Mardi Gras sounds like a motherfucking PARTY.

Which is exactly what it is, in Louisiana at least. Everyone hits the streets dressed in as loonytunes a manner as they choose,

and they party their oftenexposed tits off. This somehow counts as a religious thing. Ace.

From carefully observing rad photographer Tod Seelie's Mardi Gras snaps, we've been able to draw the following conclusions:

THE LOUISIANA CLIMATE IS A FORGIVING ONE

You know how every winter over here, a few drunk people die because they nod off in the road and freeze to death? The fuck that'd happen there. If you're too drunk to walk, lay

the hell down. With any luck you'll land on a handily-placed sofa or a friendly lady.

FANCY DRESSERS NEED TO THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX

For far too long people have been content to turn up to parties as a 'sexy vampire', 'sexy cat' or 'half-arsed zombie'. Fuck that shit. More of 'shop mobility smurf', 'man with teddy bear as face' and 'bespectacled Hindu goddess Kali' please, everyone.

NECKLACES CAN OPEN DOORS

There's an old Mardi Gras custom where women flash in exchange for cheap plastic bead necklaces. It's a tradition or something. This seems like a tradition worth adopting over here. We can't put our finger on why. It's just got a certain, like, je ne sais quoi about it.





















































OUT AND ABOUT

HILDAMAY: DECKS, DRUGS AND SPRING ROLLS

PHOTOGRAPHY: JORDAN GREEN

WHAT? Hildamay UK tour. WHERE? Boileroom, Guildford. WHO THERE? Hilda diehards, Surrey booze-heads and fit girls. THE LOOK: Plaid shirts and sweaty, cidery battered jeans.

BEST BIT: Frosty-fuelled footy. WORST BIT: Running in front of a truck to retrieve the ball. **DRINK OF CHOICE**: Bong water. DRUNKEN LUNACY RATING: 8 outta 10.

HILDAMAY LOVE a good drink. And by a good drink, we actually mean a rancid drink drunk in astronomical quantity. And what better place for the five-piece to get reacquainted with their old pal Frosty Jack than on the fifth instalment of a 24-date megatour with Max Raptor? Nowhere, that's fucking where.

Of course, Hildamay's arrival meant Guildford's poor little Boileroom was heavily fragrant

with eau de pit sweat and the walls, floors and doors were as unpleasantly sticky as a chronic masturbator's achy mitts. But that's the kind of thing we like, anyway. Here's some highlights... **CHODES AND CHOW MEIN** Hildamay fuelled their on-stage avidity with bags of takeout feculence from Guildford's finest Chinese. Spring rolls with the guys turned out to be the tastiest point of the night, cos lots of

beer-bonged cider later, cocks were whipped out by all, the ample and the chode. Delicious.

WISH I WAS A BALLER

Contrary to popular belief, alcohol does not enhance footballing skills. Or skating skills, while we're here. This was confirmed by a kickabout outside the venue that involved more retrieving the ball from a main road than actually kicking it. Hildamaybe you should stick to music you unathletic drunks...

BLOOD, SWEAT AND WEIRDS With several handfuls of devoted fans in one room, things were bound to get a bit fucking weird. People launching themselves face-first into the barriers while screaming proved popular.



































SET A REMINDER

PARTY HARD ANDREW W.K. **TOUR**

Jesus impersonator and close personal best ever friend of ours Andrew W.K. is playing a precious four dates in the UK and Ireland between 10 and 14 April. Dublin, London, Manchester and Glasgow should wave palms and bow to his superpowers. Visit andrewwk.com for tickets



FESTIVAL

GROEZROCK

Refused, Anti-Flag, Alkaline Trio and Gallows are just a few of the big names that deck the bill of 2012's first big punk-rock hardcore festival. We're so excited, we've already changed our pounds into Belgium money.
28-29 April, visit groezrock.be for

more info



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APRIL FOOLS' DAY

Remember to get all your terminal illness and I-don't-love-youanymore jokes in before noon, haha LMAO!

PORTSMOUTH TATTOO CONVENTION

The second annual Portsmouth Tattoo Convention is back with some of the world's most renowned artists making an appearance to do some extremely painful everlasting drawings on you, including LA Ink's Dan Smith, Shotsie Gorman and Cecil Porter. 14-15 April, tattooextravaganza.co.uk



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OUR TASTER SAYS: "Bumpy and dry, like it's been baked in a Texan smokehouse. Like eating silica gel." A SUGAR-FILLED CHILD SAYS: "I got silica gel mixed up with jelly. That was a terrible birthday. And, most packages





BUTTERSCOTCH FUDGE

Krispy Kreme, £1.60

OUR TASTER SAYS: "The extra bits of fudge on the top make this like a sort of fudge Inception. Layers within layers, dude. Mmm, velvety."

A SUGAR-FILLED CHILD SAYS:

"I put my willy in this. Don't look at me. DON'T LOOK AT ME!"





STRAWBERRY MILKSHAKE

Greggs, 75p

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This is good, but there's a definite hint of pasty coming through - there's a real Greggsness to it all. It just lacks glamour."

A SUGAR-FILLED CHILD SAYS:

"I failed maths because I put an E before every number."





COCONUT SNOWBALL

Greggs, 75p

OUR TASTER SAYS: "The sprinkles have the texture of insulation, making it itchy to eat. Also, tricky to eat without looking like you've got a skin complaint."

A SUGAR-FILLED CHILD SAYS:

"I'm always asked why I don't play sport. The answer is because I am too obese."



WAITROSE BERUNER DONUT

Waitrose, 69p

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This has more chocolate than any doughnut has ever needed. Also kind of stale."

A SUGAR-FILLED CHILD SAYS: "Ich bin ein Berliner. I don't know what that means. I just know I can't see."





BANANA SPRINKLES

Donuts & Baquettes, £1.75

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This icing is way too hard - it cracked with the first bite and sent shards everywhere."

A SUGAR-FILLED CHILD SAYS:

"I once got a banana stuck up my bottom. It wasn't my fault - I was trying to dislodge the toffee apple."





LEMON MERINGUE PIE

Krispy Kreme, £1.60

OUR TASTER SAYS: "The topping is extremely good, making the filling a huge letdown. It's both too sweet and too bitter, which is nasty-ass."

A SUGAR-FILLED CHILD SAYS: "You know when your wee smells of Sugar Puffs? I once had Sugar Puffs that smelled of wee. I'd weed on them."





CUSTARD MONSTER

Tesco, 57p for four

OUR TASTER SAYS: "It's a bit small, and a bit hard, and the custard is all on one side, but there's an impressive amount of it so I'm happy enough."

A SUGAR-FILLED CHILD SAYS:

"I got attacked by a custard monster. Well, my stepdad came in my room and did something. I think it was custard."





CHOCOLATE DREAMCAKE

Krispy Kreme, £1.60

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This is like biting into a soft cushion densely filled with delicious diabetes. The only thing stopping this getting top marks is the way the icing melted."

A SUGAR-FILLED CHILD SAYS:

"I dream that my heart beats chocolate instead of blood."







ANDREW W.K.

ALL ABOUT GOD

GOD IS JUST ANOTHER UNKNOWN, AND THE UNKNOWN IS JUST ANOTHER REASON FOR US TO PARTY...

I USED TO get really freaked out by the word 'God'. It made me think of a giant sky-man with a white beard and a huge bathrobe (awesome), but also, of rules, people fighting, and old women telling other people not to have fun (not awesome).

Then one day, I realised that no one really knows shit about anything, especially God. It was a really good revelation. It freed me from having to have all the answers, and it also made it easier and more righteous to call bollocks on all those people who love to talk like they know some sacred truth - especially when they use it as an excuse to be mean to people. Part of this epiphany was that nobody knows what God is either. Even most classical definitions of God explain that He is a concept beyond conception; an impossibly vast being that we can't even begin to fathom; an expression of the infinite. In that way, 'God' is just another word for the unknown. Now, instead of hating God, I love the unknown. We can get a lot out of embracing the mystery of existence using this idea...

MATERIAL THINGS ARE OVERRATED

If we put too much importance on 'things', life starts to get threedimensional. There's another

world inside us, where we always thought it was. There are worlds beyond those worlds and worlds within. There are even impossible worlds that we could never comprehend even if we tried. Or maybe not. But it's good to consider, especially when the world we can see and touch gets shitty.

YOUR GUARDIAN **ANGEL WANTS TO PARTY WITH YOU**

It may seem silly to believe in angels, but angels could just be aliens that take a loving interest in humans and other life forms. We should try to make contact with our guardian angels and have a nice chat. They have special information to help us party harder.

THERE'S NO PART OF YOU THAT IS NOT OF THE GODS

The real Gods are above us and in us. They take joy in our joy. True spirituality is the realisation that everyone is a star, burning brightly and independently, but still part of one incredible ball of light. And by the way, there's no such thing as hell.

"ONE DAY I REALISED THAT NO ONE REALLY

THREE OF MY FAVOURITE CLOTHINGS...

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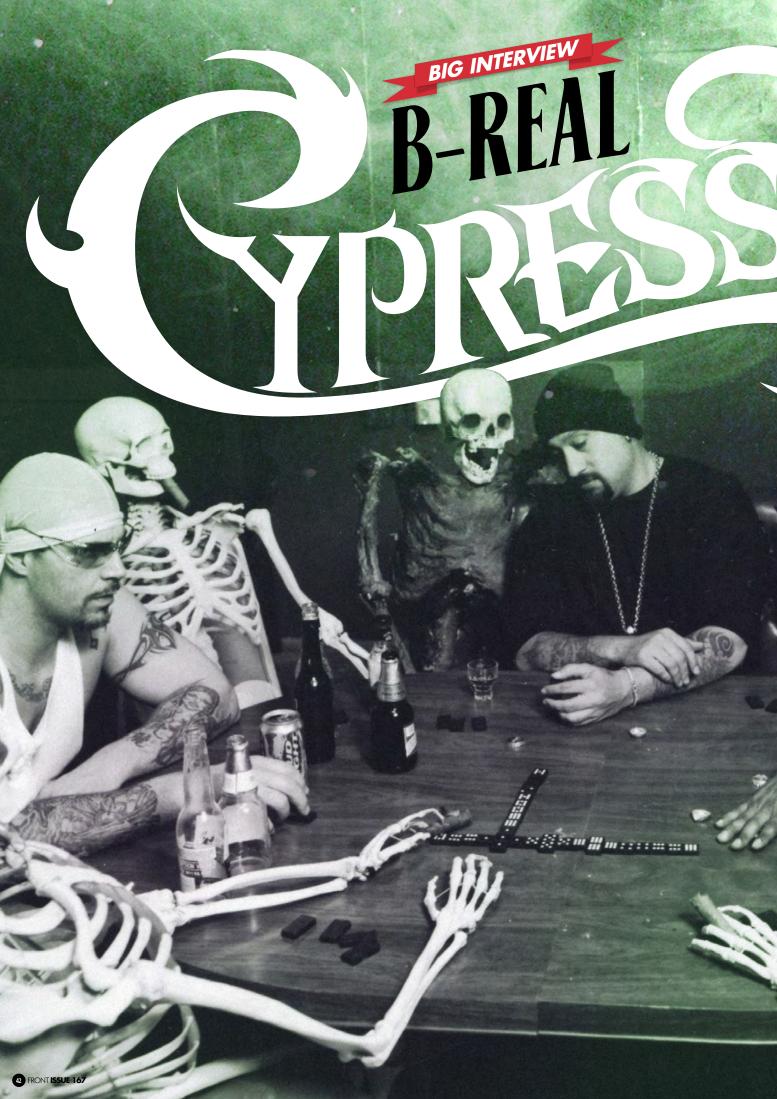


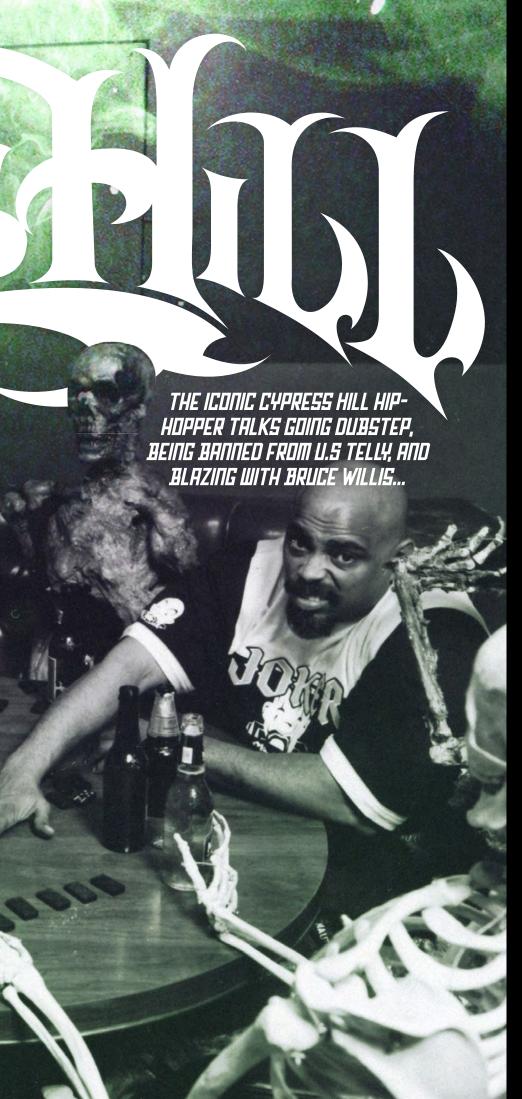






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O MR. REAL, YOU'RE BRINGING **OUT A NEW DUBSTEP EP WITH** RUSKO IN APRIL. HOW DID THAT HAPPEN?

I've always liked electronic music, and really rhythmic stuff like that. Dubstep has that really unique sound, with hip-hop and reggae sensibilities in there, so when I first heard it I was intrigued. One guy I really got into was Rusko, and it turned out that one of my boys knew him from a while back. He was definitely the one guy in the whole genre I wanted to work with, and somehow word got around. It all worked out from there, really.

WE'RE BETTING HARDCORE CYPRESS HILL FANS HAD SOMETHING TO SAY ABOUT YOUR SHIFT IN DIRECTION. HAVE YOU HAD ANY **BIG OPPOSITION?**

Of course. Throughout our whole career, we've been dealing with that bullshit. You have your hip-hop purists

*THE LAST TIME THA **WAS 2006**

who don't accept anything you do in hip-hop. I respect that, but we're artists. We try to do things that people wouldn't expect us to do. We challenge ourselves and this is yet another moment in our career where we're challenging ourselves. Some people are going to like it and some people not so much, but if you worry about pleasing everybody all the time, you'll never get anything done. WHERE DID YOU FIRST HEAR DUBSTEP?

IT'S QUITE A EUROPEAN THING...

I think we were on tour in Europe and it came on in a club. I was like, "Damn, what the fuck is this? This shit is hard!". I don't really like the gumball poppy type shit, it's the raw, edgy aspects that get me. So much so that I'm really excited to see how it goes down at our Smokeout Festival.

THE FESTIVAL WILL HAVE BEEN AND GONE BY THE TIME THIS COMES OUT, **BUT WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?**

After so many years of doing festivals, we never really came across anything



that diverse, perhaps with the exception of Lollapalooza, so we decided to do our own. The way we thought through it, we wanted to do something so diverse that nothing else would be like it. Smokeout is a genuine mix of everything. The most exciting part for me this year is having our set with Rusko there. **OBVIOUSLY, THERE'S GONNA BE** LOADS OF STONERS THERE. HOW

WILL DUBSTEP GO DOWN WITH A **BAKED CROWD?**

Oh yes. It's going to be great, man. You zone out more when you're stoned to dubstep. Essentially it's a medical marijuana expo, so the [5]

*BRUCE WILLIS CAME OVER AND HIST THE JOHN WITH US, WHICH BLEW MY MIND







BECAUSE SAVING IS FOR WANKERS

VISIT MOE'S

Duff Beer 24-Can Pack, £25, firebox.com

GOOD: Now you can be just like Homer with this real-life, non-cartoon crate of actual 3D Duff beer. In the words of the big man himself, "Beer: now there's a temporary solution!".

BAD: It's brewed in Germany! Duffman will be livid. Oh yeeeahh.



LOCH IT UP

Nessie Pins, £TBC, dshott.co.uk

GOOD: Liven up your pinboard (you do have a pinboard, right?) with these Nessie-themed drawing pins. A box has six heads, six bodies and six tails. BAD: You're gonna get coachloads of American tourists peering in your window, desperate to catch a glimpse at your pinboard.

FLY HIGH

Union Danny Kass UCH Peaced-Out Tie-Dye Bindings, £130, unionbindingcompany.com GOOD: Combine your love of

snowboarding with your love of acid-zonked old hippy-dudes. For the love of The Rolling Beatle Doors, why the hell did it take till the end of the season?

BAD: Don't stare



LOL UR NCKED

Icon Brand iPad case, £40, iconbrand.com

things funnier than police mugshots of celebs, and this iPad cover has loads of the chucklesome buggers.

Angry Birds getting boring?

Simply flip your iPad and enjoy a hearty LOL at mad face Mel 'Sugar Tits' Gibson. *BAD*: We don't recognise some of these people, so can we get a discount or what?



HUNGRY JUNT

Ravenous X Shake Junt Deck, £40, sluggerskatestore.co.uk

GOOD: Two of skating's lairiest crews join forces for some suitably in-your-face, down-your-throat, out-your-bumhole colab decks. They hurt a bit to look at.

BAD: If this deck had limbs, it'd probably clamber under your quilt as you slept and draw swastikas all over your

cock-tip and testes.





TANK VODKA

Absolut Vodka X Jamie Hewlett, £30, absolut.com/uk

GOOD: If you're going to get hammered off your mimsy, you may as well do it in style. Jamie

> 'Gorillaz' Hewlett lends Absolut some of his angular, scowl-faced cartooning wizardry. BAD: Or, you could just felt-tip a wobbly cock and balls onto a bottle of Glen's.

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PENNY FOR THE GRIND

Penny Skateboards, £80, firebox.com

GOOD: This retro-looky mini deck will fit right in your Boogie Nights backpack and comes in eight different hip and snazzy colourways, including everyone's favourite shade, clear. BAD: Even tricksier than a grown-up board and will rip your shin skin like a bint. Also, does not cost 1p.



FUTURE TOAST

Toaster, £TBC, inseq.com

GOOD: After almost a century, somebody's finally attempting to update the toaster. The Zuse feeds slices of bread through itself in a fax machine style, and scorches cool patterns on 'em. **BAD:** You can't buy the Zuse yet. A triumphant/crushing appearance on Dragon's Den surely awaits.

YE OLDE PHOTOS

Impossible Polaroid Films, from £16, shop.the-impossible-project.com

GOOD: If you own an old-skool Polaroid, you'll know the instant films were killed off a while back. Thankfully, some crazy photo freaks are now independently producing the films themselves. BAD: We pressed down well hard on one of these photos but it would not upload to TwitPic. Wha'gwarn?



WHAT THE FUCK?

CHEESY DVD

GOOD: One whole pizzafilled hour of spinning pizza montage with soothing, sizzling pizza sound effects adds the perfect ambience to any party experience. **BAD:** We tried to eat this and not only is our digestive system now filled with broken glass, but the cheese wasn't melted properly.







EY ANTON, WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THE UK? SHOULDN'T YOU BE FINISHING YOUR SEASON OFF?

Yeah, probably. I had

a pretty gnarly accident about a year ago and I've only just got back on my board, so I'm taking it pretty easy right now.

OH YEAH. WE'LL COVER OUR EARS WHILE YOU TAKE US THROUGH WHAT HAPPENED...

So I dislocated my hip and gashed my shin right open. I was trying this gap over a fence and down a wall, and stacked it. My leg popped out and ended up on top of my stomach at a super weird angle, and you could see my shinbone.

WHAT THE FUCK?

Yeah, it was kinda my fault, though. I jinxed myself before dropping in. It was my first trick of the day, and turned to my friend to say, "Man, the worst case scenario right now would be if I caught my legs on the top of the wall". And that's exactly what happened.

DID YOU POP YOUR LEG BACK IN **RIGHT THERE AND THEN?**

Fuck no. All the guys around me were concentrating on the cut and didn't see my hip until later. I had to wait half an hour for an ambulance. The next thing I remember was waking up in hospital with no clothes on. I woke up super high on morphine and started to talk about finding a party somewhere.

INCREDIBLE. TALKING OF PARTIES, ONE OF YOUR ENDORSEMENTS IS JÄGERMEISTER. THAT MUST MAKE YOU A VERY POPULAR PERSON AT **HOUSE PARTIES...**

I like to party, yeah. The whole reason I got that endorsement was because I though the energy drink monopoly in sport is a bit lame. Of course, they're pushing the sport, but Jäger has loads of involvement in festivals and music, and that suits

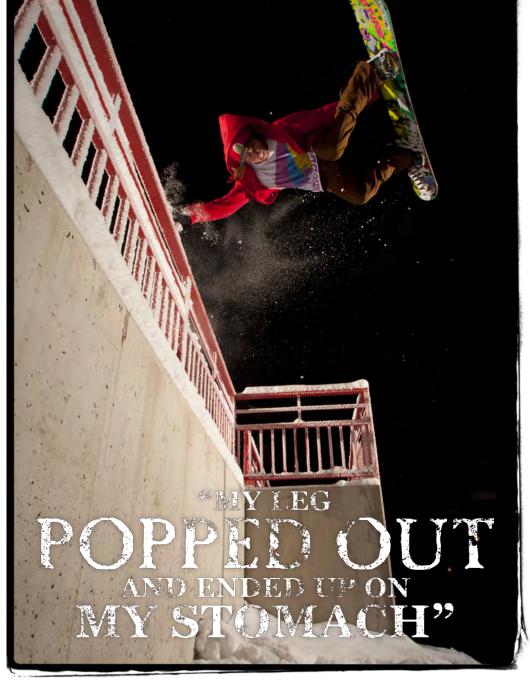
DO THEY SEND YOU CRATES OF IT?

Not really. I just walk into a liquor store, buy loads of bottles and

claim the money back.

AND ON TOP OF THAT, YOU GET FREE THREADS FROM DROP **DEAD. YOU'RE** SORTED.

The Drop Dead guys are super cool. It all came about when I sent Oli Sykes an e-mail saying I loved



his clothes and that we should do something together. We started talking and from then on, I've been on Drop Dead. Oli, his whole family and all the Bring Me The Horizon guys are super cool, too.

ON MUSIC, WHAT FESTIVALS ARE YOU HITTING THIS YEAR?

Groezrock for sure. Refused are gonna kill it. They're from my hometown, Umeå, in Sweden. I've

seen them before and they were fucking rad.

ACE! DO YOU **BUMP INTO THEM** DOWN THE

SHOPS?

Haha, no. They are friends of friends but I don't actually know them personally. 🖾





Umeå is definitely one of the bigger cities in the hardcore scene. Refused really pushed the scene pretty hard. Right now, if you wanted a band to listen to, I'd say get into Lesra. They're my mates, but whatever, they're pretty awesome.

RIDING FOR NITRO, YOUR SIGNATURE BOARD, HAS A DRUNK **DINOSAUR WEARING SUNGLASSES** AND A SLEEVELESS DENIM JACKET. SKULLING BEERS AND SHOUTING. "I LIKE TO PARTY" ON IT. THERE'S **DEFINITELY NOT QUITE ENOUGH AMAZINGNESS ON THAT BOARD IS** THERE ANTON?

Ha, it's cool. I just put a load of ideas onto paper and this is what I came out with. If you look real closely, you can see my face in corpse paint on one of the badges. I wanted it really metal, but not super dark, so I wanted loads of colour in it, too. It came out pretty cool.

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOUR TATTOOS. THEY'RE PRETTY SERIOUS...

A guy back home called Horimatsu does my tattoos. I've still got a way to go before finishing my full body suit. I really wanted to get the whole lot done in a year, but it's impossible with money and time.

YOU MUST'VE GOT LOADS DONE WHILE YOU WERE OUT WITH YOUR **MANGLED LEG, THOUGH?**

Loads, yeah. I was real bummed out when I had to miss a season, but I came away from my first tattoo appointment since the slam and

GOOD STUFF. AND FINALLY, NOW THAT THE SNOW'S STARTING TO GO AWAY, WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR THE SUMMER?

I'm gonna go on holiday. Probably a long one at that.

WHAT? ISN'T YOUR JOB JUST ONE **MASSIVE HOLIDAY AND PARTY** ANYWAY?

Sort of, but there's so much more you can be doing travel-wise. I definitely don't want to kill the motivation, so mixing it up with a bit of sun can't be bad, right? FRONT









ANTON GUNNARSSON: CREDENTIALS

WORST INJURY: BROKEN BACK

"About ten years back I overshot a jump and landed on my ass on solid ice. I cracked my vertebrae and a few kinda exploded on impact."

FAVOURITE PERSON TO RIDE WITH: THE NITRO TEAM

"Everyone I ride with has a different NITRO personality, but everyone on the Nitro team is super fun to hang with." MOST INSPIRATIONAL SNOWBOARDER:

JIM RIPPEY

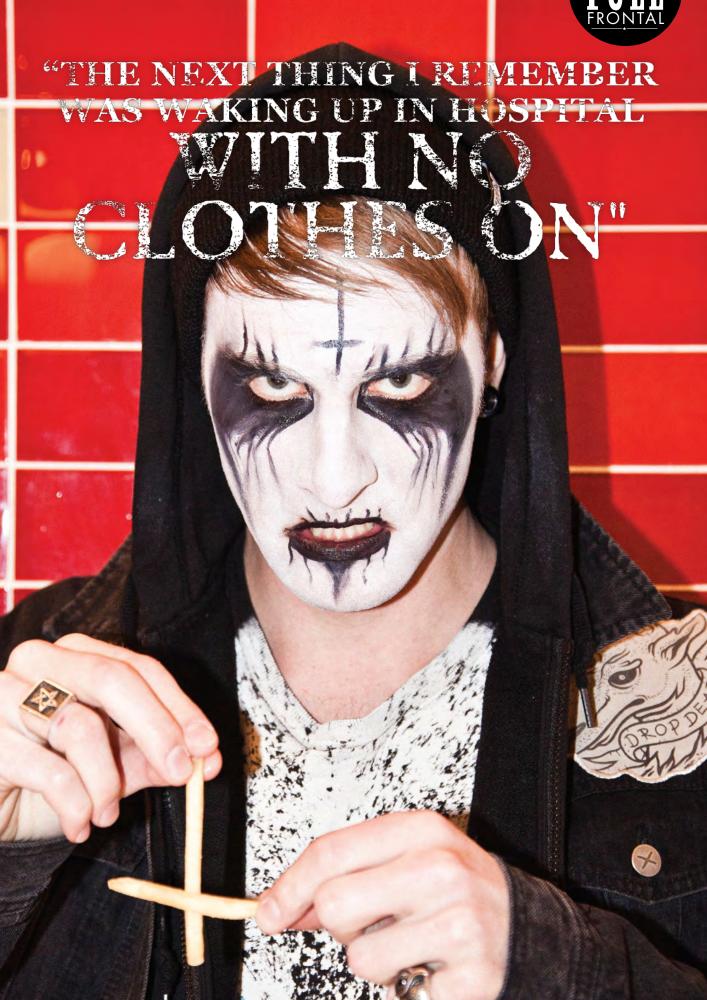
"He got me into doing backflips and stuff. He also had a cool video part with a Pennywise song over it. I listened to that song for a solid four years after that."

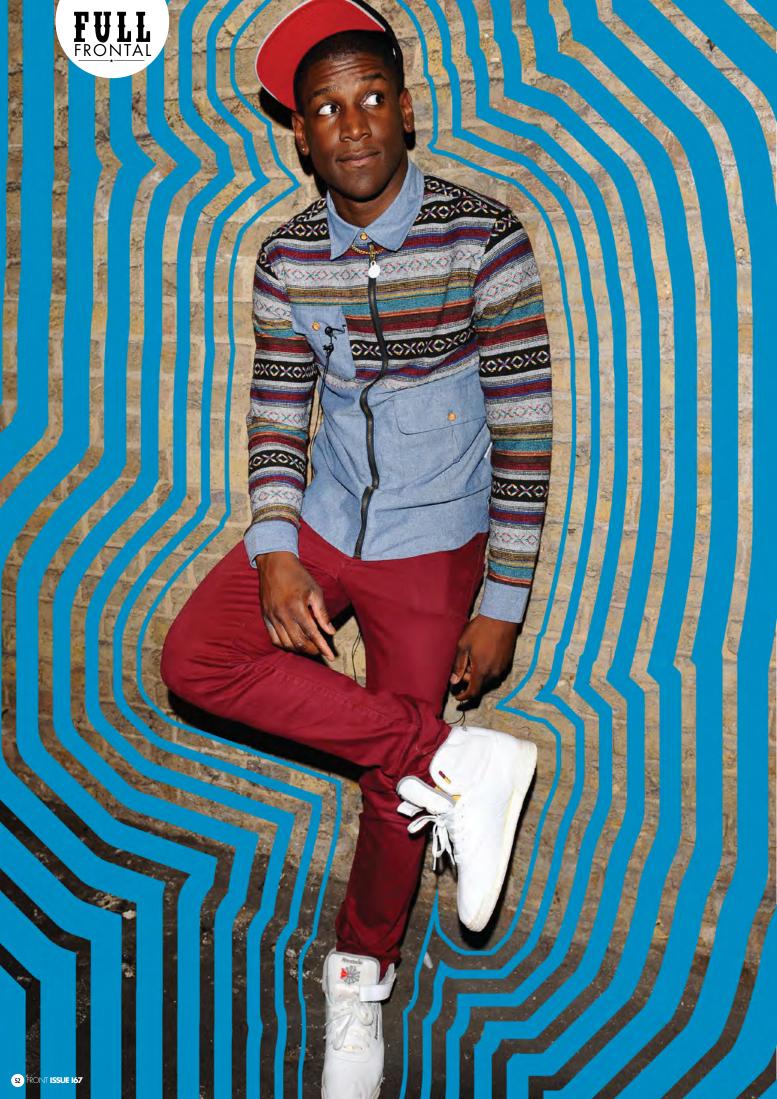
FAVOURITE PARK: KLÄPPEN

"I don't have a home resort which is why I mainly stick to street riding. Kläppen is one of my favourites down south in Sweden, though.'

MUSIC TO SHRED TO: PARKWAY DRIVE

"Breaking Point is a great song. I could see myself using it in my own video part but realistically, I like all the stuff they do."





20 QUESTIONS

HE'S MATES WITH SIMON COWELL AND OWNS A RESTAURANT. BUT HOW WILL HE HANDLE THE QUESTIONS WE ASK EVERYONÉ?

AS A YOUNGSTER, WHAT WAS YOUR FAVOURITE FILM?

Mrs. Doubtfire was a sick film. Robin Williams is a bad actor though, I didn't realise at the time.

2WHAT'S THE WORST THING YOU'VE EVER EATEN?

I didn't like raw scallops. You're not supposed to eat them raw, but I did.

IF YOU COULD THROW ONE PERSON OFF TV INTO A PEN OF LIONS, WHO WOULD IT BE?

It would've been Jason Derulo but then I met him and he's really nice.

IF YOU COULD HAVE A SUPER POWER, WHAT **WOULD IT BE?**

Reading people's minds - in the music business, people say yes to you a lot, so it would be nice to know if they actually like my songs or not.

WHAT DO YOU HAVE FOR **BREAKFAST?**

I rarely eat breakfast, but when I do, I love a few Sugar Puffs. I eat them at night more, though.

WHAT MAKES AN AWESOME NIGHT OUT?

Surely all guys answer the same to this - when girls get involved.

WHAT WILL YOUR FUNERAL BE LIKE?

I definitely want to be cremated, because I'm not lying in a box for years. And the funeral itself needs to be all about partying.

WHO'S THE BIGGEST ARSEHOLE FAMOUS PERSON YOU'VE EVER MET?

I'd have to say Jessie J. She likes herself a bit too much.

IF YOU WEREN'T DOING THIS FOR A LIVING, WHAT **WOULD YOU BE DOING?**

I'd be selling the greatest KFC chicken any man has ever tasted.

DO YOU DO SOCIAL **NETWORKING SHIT?**

I hate Facebook and Twitter because they're too self-indulgent. I make music - just listen to my damn music.

■ DO YOU HAVE A PARTY TRICK?

I can do a headstand without any hands. I remember seeing it in a kung-fu movie and I thought I would try it, and luckily I could

2 WHAT'S THE WORST IDEA YOU'VE EVER HAD?

Allowing the photographer Rankin to make my video, Let The Sun Shine. We thought it would be amazing but it didn't turn out to be a great video.

3 WHAT'S THE MOST YOU'VE EVER NEEDED THE TOILET?





I have never slept with a Chinese woman before.

WHAT'S THE MOST ILLEGAL 5 THING YOU'VE DONE?

When I was ten, I stole a dumpling from a church and got in loads of trouble for it.

WHAT HAVE YOU SEEN THAT YOU REALLY WISH YOU COULD UN-SEE?

I thought I had scurvy, so I looked it up on Google Images. Don't look diseases up on Google.

WHAT'S THE STUPIDEST THING YOU'VE EVER SAID TO A GIRL YOU WERE TRYING **TO IMPRESS?**

I didn't say anything, I just started babbling nonsense and had to turn around and walk away.

8 WHY SHOULD PEOPLE BUY YOUR NEW SINGLE **AND GO SEE YOU LIVE?**

If you know of another person that produces, plays and sings, you don't need to come to my gigs.

WHAT'S THE PUNCHLINE TO YOUR FAVOURITE **EVER JOKE?**

"No, it wasn't your mum!"

WHAT'S **YOUR BOOZE OF CHOICE?**

I'm drinking a Maredsous Blonde beer right now, and I'm really enjoying it. I like brandy though, usually. Remy Martin with a bit of Sprite on top is definitely my booze of choice.





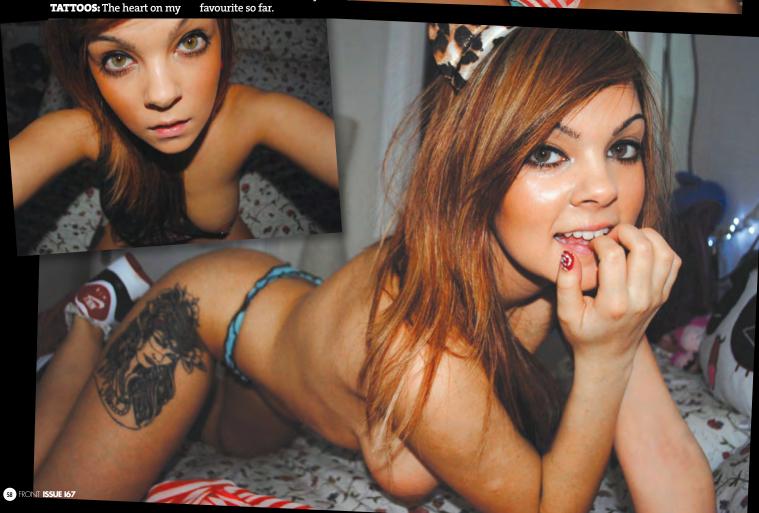






my uni project.
TALK US THROUGH YOUR

finger and anchor on my ankle I did myself. I have a mermaid on my foot and I just recently had my thigh done. It's an American Indian girl with a wolf on her head, which is my



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WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE ALBUM EVER?

Anything by Elvis. Today that's my answer. Ask me again tomorrow.

YOUR FIRST EVER GIG?
I skipped school when

I was 15 and went to a music festival in Sweden. I was totally too cool for school. I've got the best dad ever, who drove me and my friend to Sweden in a rental car just so we could see our favorite bands – Babyshambles, The Strokes... Fucking awesome!



IANNAH LAURA

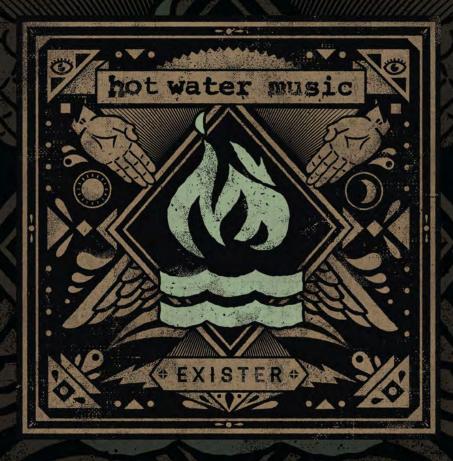
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WHAT'S YOUR BOOZE DRINK OF CHOICE? Amaretto and lemonade! WHAT'S YOUR PERFECT NIGHT OUT? Going to the pub to play pool, I'm not the clubbing type. ANYTHING YOU'RE ITCHING TO TELL US? I really want some cake right new.











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1 MONEY FOR NOTHING DIRE STRAITS



FOUND ON: Brothers In Arms (1985) "When I started playing guitar as a kid, one of my

dreams was to learn how to play the opening of Money For Nothing, which is still one of the best riffs in history. It still sticks in my mind and every time I hear it on the radio it brings the sentiment back."

2 BLOODLUST VENOM



FOUND ON:

Eine Kleine Nachtmusik (1986) "I was already a huge Venom fan in primary

school. I'd play air guitar in front of the mirror, pretending to be Cronos. There still is a certain vibe and drive in Bloodlust that just puts a huge smile on my face. It was my first extreme metal experience."

3 DEMONIAC Blasphemy



FOUND ON: Fallen Angel Of Doom (1990) "When I first formed Behemoth, Blasphemy was probably one

of my top favourite bands and I actually tried to rip this song off. The opening song on our first rehearsal tape was called Cursed Angel Of Doom – even the title is pretty much what Blasphemy is all about."

4 DO YOU LOVE ME? NICK CAVE AND THE BAD SEEDS



FOUND ON:

Let Love In (1994)
"This is one of the best Cave albums and a super emotional,

very in-depth, serious record. I dig the lyrics and I identify with every single word on that song. Every time I listen to it all the cool, tragic, dramatic, erotic experiences I've had in my life come back to me."

5 IN THE SHADOW OF THE HORNS DARKTHRONE



FOUND ON:

A Blaze In The Northern Sky (1992) "Fifty percent of the extreme metal

community turned their backs on Darkthrone for showing a middle finger to the genre and changing from Scandinavian death metal to a primitive Celtic Frost and Mayheminspired black metal. I just loved the way these guys turned the whole world upside down."

6 Long way back from Hell



FOUND ON: Danzig II: Lucifuge (1990) "When people ask me what my life is about, I'm like, 'Just

listen to this song, read the lyrics and try to understand'. I'm a huge Danzig fan, he's got one of the best voices ever. It was actually one of the highlights of my life to meet the guy years back. He's one of the most charismatic individuals I know."

7 HURT Johnny Cash



FOUND ON: American IV: The Man Comes Around (2002) "I dig everything Johnny Cash has done.

Hurt is a Nine Inch Nails cover, but it actually beats the original, which is already great. But this is on a whole new level, it's a whole new dimension. I used to joke that if there was ever a person who would convert me to Christianity, it would be Johnny Cash."

8 BLACK JESUS BJØRN BERGE



FOUND ON:

St. Slide (2004)
"Black Jesus really
gives me the shivers.
It's an acoustic,

country-inspired cover of an Everlast song, but the original doesn't exist if you compare it to this. It's just him, a bass drum, an acoustic guitar and his amazing voice. I only discovered it two weeks ago so it's still fresh."

AC/DC



FOUND ON: Highway To Hell (1979) "I want this song sang at my funeral. I was a judge on a TV

programme called Voice Of Poland which is a huge competition and in the final, my trainee and I played Highway To Hell. YouTube it and check it out, it was really awesome. We made a huge impact on TV, especially considering that national TV hardly ever gives a fuck about music heavier than pop anyway."

10 SKULLS MISFITS



FOUND ON: Walk Among Us (1982)

"The fact that there are two Glenn Danzig songs on this list says

a lot. If I wanna play a Misfits song, it's always Skulls. The Misfits laid down the foundation for all the emo and gothic stuff that came decades later. All the crap emo bands should be paying fucking royalties – they're collecting huge salaries for ripping off Evil Elvis."

1 1 FINAL WARNING Turbonegro



FOUND ON: Party Animals (2005) "It was very hard to define Turbonegro – before their new

vocalist, their sound was very nihilistic and disturbing. They had a very special sense of humour, which I totally dig, and they were very offensive. I know people who can't stand looking at them. I love that they piss so many people off."

12 MASS GRAVE AESTHETICS Deathspell omega



FOUND ON:

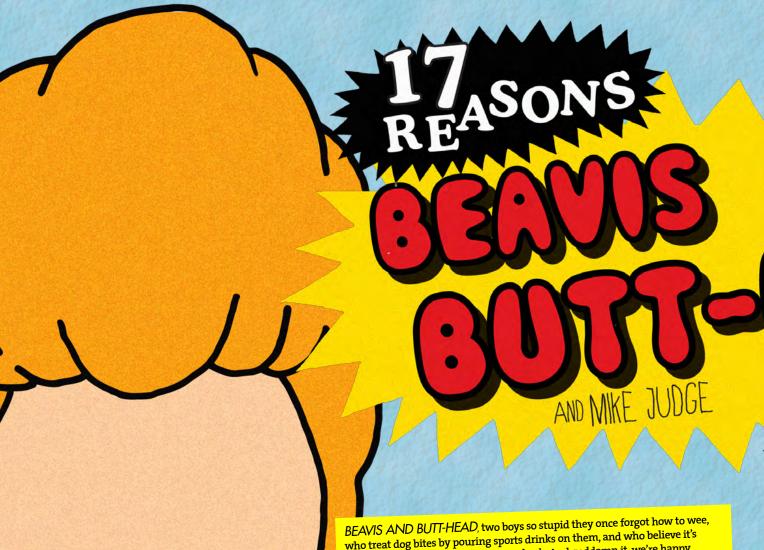
Mass Grave Aesthetics (2008) "Deathspell Omega are the Pink Floyd

of black metal, they're very adventurous, courageous and spectacular. They redefined the genre and don't give a fuck. I'm a huge fan. Mass Grave Aesthetics is an EP and 20 minutes long. It's the ultimate song when it comes to black metal."



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BEAVIS AND BUTT-HEAD, two boys so stupid they once forgot flow to wee, who treat dog bites by pouring sports drinks on them, and who believe it's possible to get yourself pregnant, are back. And goddamn it, we're happy – 14 years after disappearing from screens, Mike Judge's sniggering fartknockers haven't matured or learned anything, and the new series contains some of the funniest stuff they've done. To celebrate, FRONT takes a look at what makes Beavis And Butt-head rule so hard. Huh huh. We said 'hard'...

THEY COULD DESTROY A BAND

Winger, a 1980s glam-rock band,
were frequently the butt
of jokes on Beavis And
Butt-head – the boys'
weenie neighbour
Stewart wore a
Winger t-shirt, and
they described the band

as "wussies". Apparently, this all came about when Mike Judge heard that frontman Kip Winger had insisted that MTV not let Beavis And Butt-head mock his band – so Judge got super pissy and

made fun of them loads. Winger ended up blaming the band's breakup on Beavis And Butthead. As it turned out, Kip had actually been misquoted all along.
Oof. Sore.



THEY COULD MAKE A BAND HUGE

White Zombie were releasing their song Thunder Kiss' 65 for the third time, and not making a huge impact with it, when Beavis And Butt-head discovered it and decided it ruled. "Beavis And Butt-head thought Thunder Kiss' 65 was cool and played it a lot," says White Zombie bassist Sean Yseult. "I hate to say we owe a lot to two cartoon characters, but we really do." They also championed the hell out of Gwar, and had Snoop Dogg (back when he was Snoop

Doggy Dogg) on the show a

WINGER: SUCKED

bunch of times.







WITHOUT THEM THERE'D BE NO OFFICE SPACE OR IDIOCRACY

IDIOCRACY

Judge wrote and directed box-officeflops-turned-culthits-on-DVD Office Space and Idiocracy. Office Space is possibly the best

movie about work ever made, while Idiocracy manages to combine intelligent satire with a lot of people getting hit in the nuts. The dad from Everybody Hates Chris plays the future U.S President, and he's fucking amazing. He's a wrestler who keeps grabbing his balls.



watched an episode, badmouthed the show during an interview, he mispronounced it as "Buffcoat And Beaver" (which sounds really rude, and suggests Senator Ernest Hollings has a dirty mind). This immediately became a running joke on the show, with almost everyone that encountered them pronouncing their names differently (Travis and Bobhead, Crevis and Bung-head etc).

THEIR ANIMATION SUCKED BUT NOW **RULES WHILE STILL** SUCKING

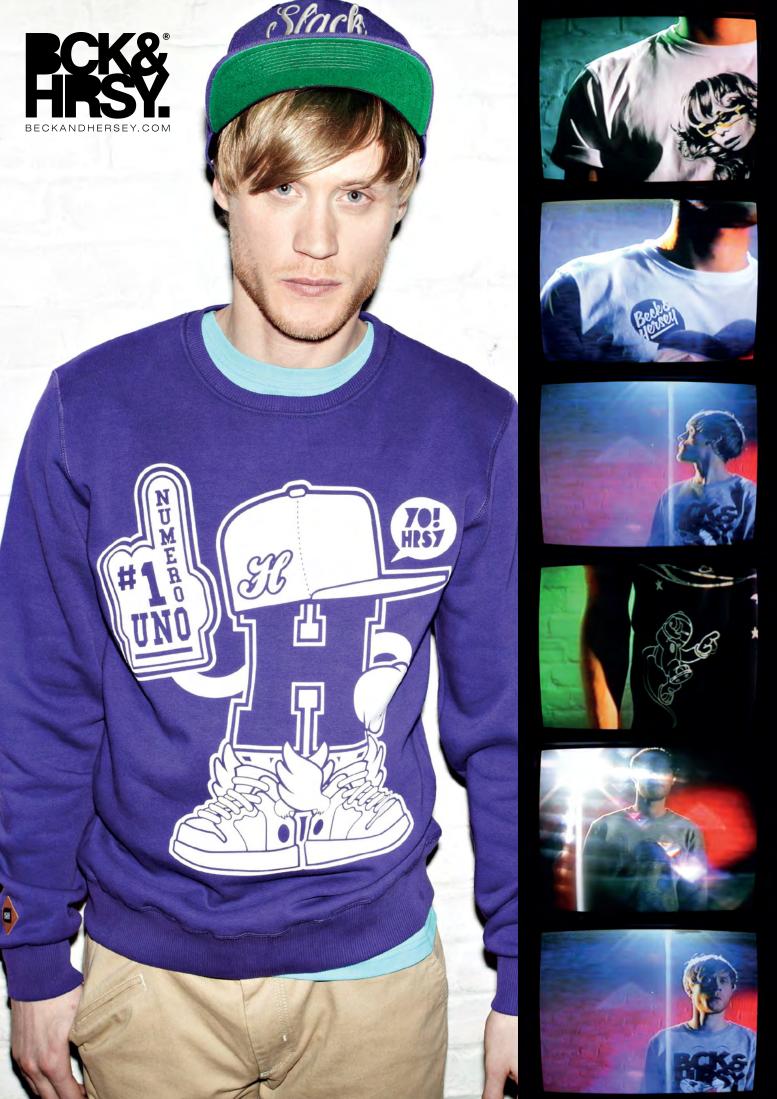
The animation in the first series of Beavis And Butt-head was properly rubbish - it was hand-drawn, rushed, and the character models took a while to be properly solidified. For the new ones they've gone to full HD, really lovely-looking animation, but for the bits where they're commenting on music videos, they're re-using shitty old animation. Fuck knows why, but hey, recycling's a positive thing, right? The shit-ass animation was also a source of inspiration to Matt Stone and Trey Parker, who applied the same DIY aesthetic to their cut-out construction-paper animation.

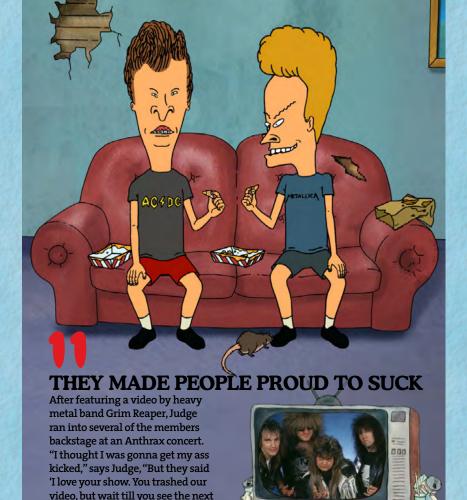




Even when there were groups calling for Beavis And Butt-head to be taken off air, the people who knew what was what took 'em to their hearts. They appeared on the cover of Rolling Stone three times – that's the same number of times as Snoop Dogg and Bart Simpson. Slipknot's been on there twice. Will Smith's only made it once. They also appeared on late-night talk shows including The Jimmy Kimmel Live last year along with Jersey Shore's Snooki.







THEIR MUSIC REVIEWS WERE SPOT OF

one - it sucks even more."

ON VANILLA ICE: "They're always

putting this guy down and making fun of him and saying he sucks and stuff. But you know, he really does suck, and this is one of those times where everybody's right."



ON RADIOHEAD:

"Sometimes, if I have a boner that won't go down, I listen to this type of music."



ON TYPE O NEGATIVE:

"They're a cross between Megadeth and my butt. That is a compliment. My butt rules."



ON SCATMAN JOHN:

"They should have a name for this type of music." "They already do have a name for this type of music, Beavis - it's called crap."





THEY SPAWNED DARIA AND KING OF THE HILL

Beavis And Butt-head's monotonal classmate Daria ended up getting her own spin-off series, which was awesomely '90s and beautifully observed (plus several of the characters in it were weirdly alluring). Mike Judge also morphed Beavis and Butt-head's neighbour Tom Anderson into Hank Hill, lead character of King Of The Hill.

THEY'VE MOVED WITH THE TIMES

They might not be any brighter, but the boys have returned with a bunch of up-to-date stuff to mock. Twilight gets a drubbing, and the hair-metal videos of the '90s have been replaced with Jersey Shore clips and Cage The Elephant videos. Skrillex was a wee boy of five when Beavis And Butt-head first hit screens, and now they're taking the piss out of him.



MIKE JUDGE IS A NICE DUDE A lot of people that work in telly are vicious sods, but Mike Judge seems to not have a bad word to say about anyone. Describing Matt Stone and Trey Parker's Team America script, he said, "I've never laughed out loud as much reading anything", he's described Family Guy as "great", Simpsons creator Matt Groening as having "started it all", and equates old Road Runner cartoons with the moon landing. He also put together a touring festival, The Animation Show, to showcase work by lesserknown artists. What a nice dude.

THEY CAN HELP BROKE-BY LAUGHING AT 'EM

In one episode of the new season, Beavis And Butt-head commentate on a video called It's So Cold in The D by T-Baby. T-Baby is broke as shit - she's not got a record contract or anything, and her song was just a no-budget YouTube video that people thought was funny. She got \$4,000 to let her video be used on Beavis And Butt-head, and will get another \$4,000 every year the show's repeated. She told TMZ, "People have been making fun of me my whole life, so Beavis And Butt-head laughing at me is no big deal - I'm laughin' all the way to the bank. It's been the biggest kickoff to my career."





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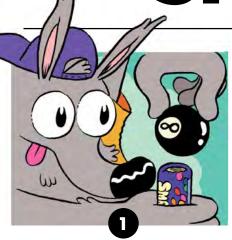






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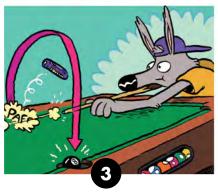
SET YOURSELF UP

Balance your ball on top of a Smarties tube, positioned so if the tube disappeared, the ball would hit the cushion by the middle pocket. "Any tube about a ball and a half high will do," says John.



TWAT IT

Put the cue ball about two feet away. Now twat it hard at the Smarties tube, hitting it dead in the centre. "When we did this one on Big Break, Jim Davidson had ten attempts and didn't hit the tube," says John.



MAGIC!

The Smarties tube should fly out of the way, and the ball will ideally bounce off the angle-y overhanging bit of the cushion (the lip) and pot itself in the opposite middle pocket. That's the trick.





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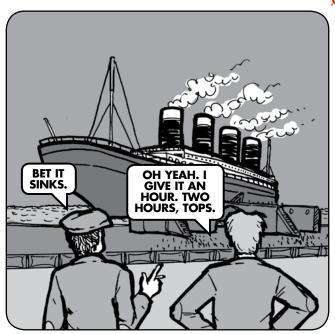
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IT WASN'T A SEAGULL – IT WAS A DIRTY GREAT WANKER OF AN ICEBERG. AS THE TITANIC WENT TITS OVER TWAT, HUNDREDS PERISHED IN THE ICY ATLANTIC WATERS.





What is it with children's entertainers and



Cat Flap

I am so confused when I go outdoors that I think that things like this are funny.



Sim-Wise's STRIP CLUB

I KNOW YOU look at me and think I must frequent glamorous places where opals fall from the sky and people waltz round on unicorns, but that is not very true at all. In reality, on the rare occasions that I leave the house, the places I end up at are as unsavoury and obscure as Croydon. My story this month is set in Croydon and features a cameo from Dane Bowers, who is my go-to symbol for all that is shit in the world.

Ah, the Bowers. I don't know why I dislike him so much. Let's look at the facts: 1. He looks like a hedgehog. Not a cool one like Sonic, just some dreary, doped-up hedgehog who woke up in a pile of what he



I Smile Because I Am Not A Dummy

This is me in a hairdressers. I am smiling as unlike the girls behind, I didn't get my head cut off.



Ice-Cream Cupcakes

I know you are confused looking at this, thinking it is an ice-cream, but it is a cupcake!



Thong Song

What is sexier than a thong? Why, thick woolen tights AND a thong of course!



Here are some shots from my bad-ass Instagram, on which I'm called @simwise.

I look like a sexy member of Slade.







thought were leaves, only to realise it was actually different kinds of dog shit.

2. He is synonymous with dog shit. It's like they are permanently bonded together in my head like a scratch and sniff book.

3. I don't know what he does. I literally have no idea. *Looks on Wikipedia*. A singer? I honestly just thought he was a sex pest.

4. He is in the most boring sex tape I have ever seen. You know, that one with Jordan looking bored in the jacuzzi with the toes. If you are that bored, why not just categorise all the different colours of brown there are in the world or play Scrabble? If his sex tape was a colour, it would be the beige you find in the gusset of nude-coloured control pants.

Bearing in mind all of these 'facts', it was kind of fitting that the one and only time I ran into Mr. Bowers was in the Hustler strip club in Croydon. Imagine my dismay when I found myself sat opposite my imaginary nemesis. I just wanted to see some tits. I stared at Dane in curious disgust until he left and I turned my attention to a dancer

called Honey who looked a bit like a leather table and smelt amazing.

The only other story I have about Croydon is from ten years ago when I was friends with a stripper called Aaliyah who turned out to be 13. I'm not even making this up.



HUNGER GAMES

The fact that Hunger Games comes out in the movie cinemas soon. I can't wait!

BREAKING BAD, BITCH

Especially Gus and Jesse, yo!

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THIS MONTH'S HIGHS AND LOWS



TWO-BEER SUBTRACTIONS

You've had five beers. Someone asks

how many beers you've had. "Three

beers," you say. Like all the best lies, it's

pointless and achieves nothing.

GOOD SINT

WEARING A BIRO BEHIND YOUR EAR

People will know you're either efficient or creative, and both of those are desirable qualities in lovemaking.



This is the closest you'll ever get to being a gun. You're a gun! You're a gyn!



CUTTING A WEDGE OUT OF A BOOK TO MAKE A SECRET COMPARTMENT

It takes fucking ages, but afterwards it really feels like you've earned the right to buy loads of weed.

CHANGING YOUR HAIR

Eventually it'll look good but for a week, people will keep saying, "Ooh, you've had a haircut".

SHOULDN'T The sofa, the garden, the dog basket,

SLEEPING WHERE YOU

The sofa, the garden, the dog basket the crematorium, the Greggs – the possibilities are endless. Eff beds.

DATED PRODUCT PLACEMENT IN OLD MUSIC VIDEOS

S<mark>weet Nokia, LL Cool J!</mark>

HOSIERY PEEP SHOW

NON TECH-SAVVY PEOPLE LOOKING FOR PORN

Think about your grandad sitting down at a computer and typing 'nude female erotica' into AltaVista.

LOSING OTHER PEOPLE'S STUFF

Great. You've now entered into at least a month of lying to them while you tear your house apart, it'll cost a fortune to replace, and then you'll fucking find it.



CHOKING EATING UNCHALLENGING FOOD

Spluttering eating an eye-wateringly hot curry is fine. Choking till you nearly barf eating a tuna sandwich doesn't do anything for self-esteem.

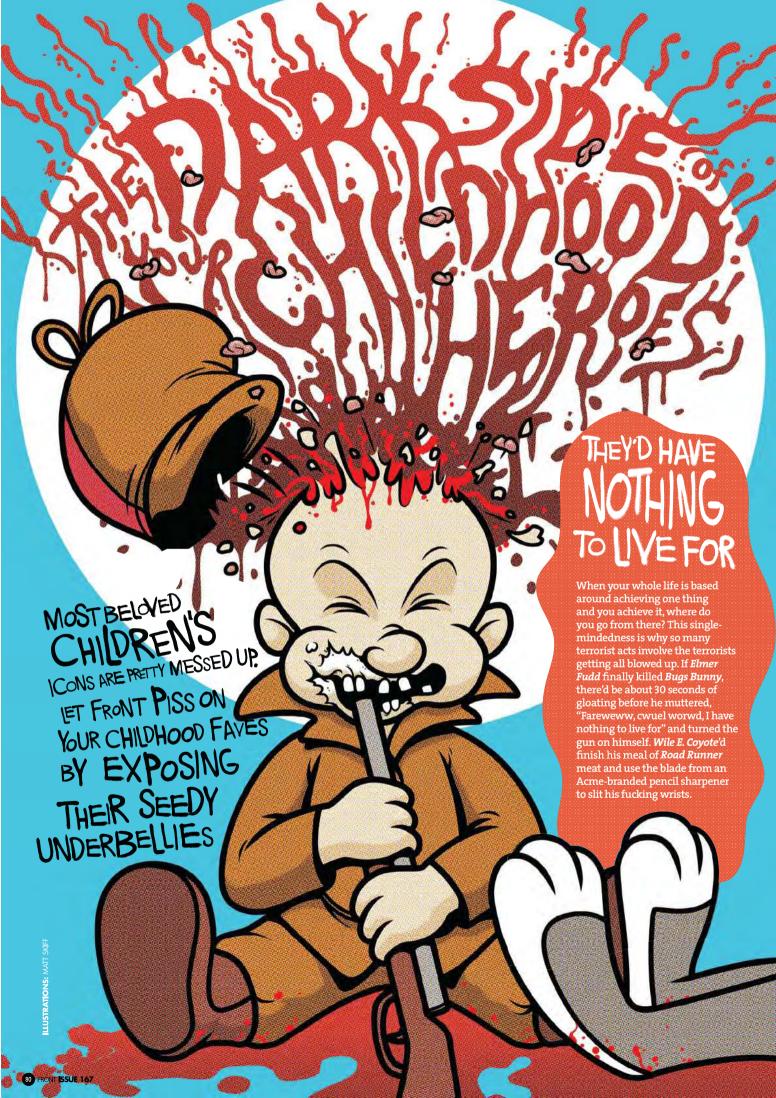


HEARING SOMEONE DUMP

You know in films, sometimes they say the violence that happens off-screen is more disturbing cos it sends your imagination wild? Turns out pooing's much the same.







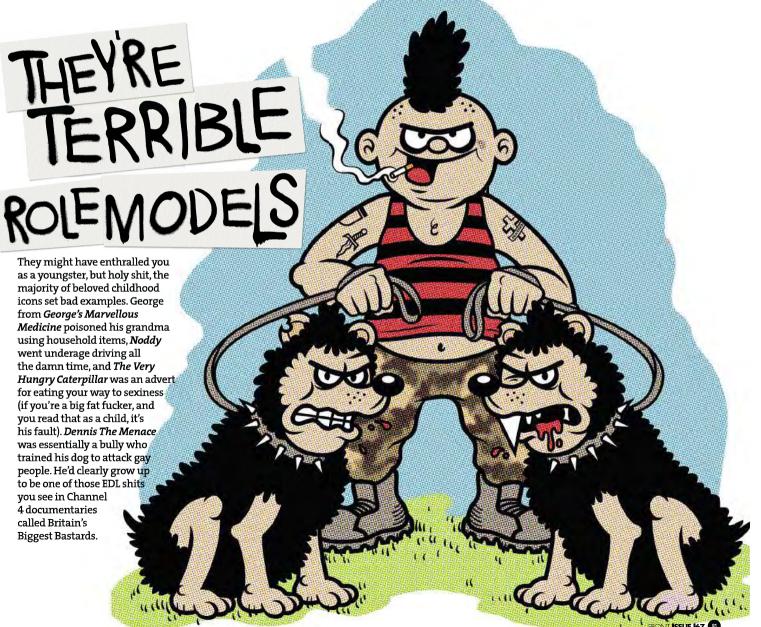


Whether it's rampant misogyny (like Jughead from the Archie comics), refusal to breed outside their family and rejection of anyone who isn't ike them (like The Smurfs, who are basically little blue versions of the Westboro Baptist Church, but with homosexuals replaced by Gargamel) or uncontrollable kleptornania (like Burglar Bill from the book Burglar Bill), a lot of children's characters' charming quirks were more like personality disorders. Beloved puppet Sooty, for instance, suffered from selective mutism, only communicating through whispering into his owner's ear. Selective mutism often leads to (or stems from) chronic depression. Odds are, Sooty will die by his own hand. What a cheery thought.

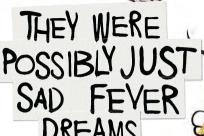


Habits you develop as a youth go on to shape bonkers behaviour as an adult – not always, obviously, but odds are, if a dude you knew as a kid grew up to be a murderer, it's more likely to be the one who skinned dogs for a laugh than one of the ones who didn't. Who's to say that Helga from Hey Arnold! wouldn't have taken her stalker-ish

tendencies to their natural conclusion and ended up beheading Arnold and boiling his skull in a saucepan? Or that T.J. Detweiler from *Recess* wouldn't have become so drunk on power, he ended up trying to take over the world? Nobody. And everyone knows what happened the last time a dude with a German surname let power go to his head.







Imagine being a one-eyed mouse missing multiple limbs and clearly not long for this world. What a horrible existence that would be, with nothing to look forward to but an undignified death at the hands of a laboratory assistant. You'd probably retreat into a fantasy world where your disabilities worked to your advantage, and where your whole life was substantially cooler. Say, a world where you came from Mars, and drove a motorbike, and helped battle evil, rather than lying sadly on a petri dish wishing you had more legs.



When you look back at the entertainment that enthralled you as a child, bits of it seem a bit, er, rapey. There's definitely

you as a child, bits of it seem a bit, er, rapey. There's definitely an odd gay subtext to Noddy -the friendship between the young, wide-eyed Noddy and the greying, bearded Big Ears seems to be a twink/daddy relationship -Google Images will clarify. Elsewhere, Mr. Tickle and Mr. Bump from the Mr. Men might as well have been called Mr. Grope and Mr. Gimp and Berk from Trap Door was essentially a clumsy plasticine Josef Fritzl. Pepé Le Pew used to get so overcome with lust upon seeing a cat that only vaguely resembled a member of his species, there was no way he wouldn't eventually have become the animated skunk equal of a RealDoll owner.

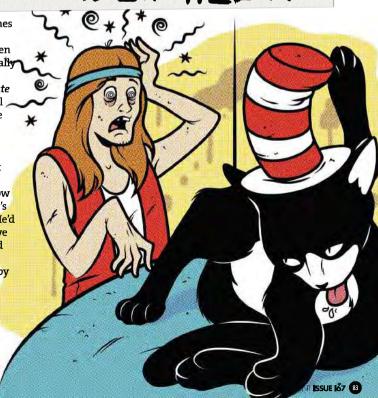
THEY'D BE FUCKING DEAD

You know why people don't live in sewers? Because sewers are full of piss and shit and spermfilled dunkies. Even if ooze had transformed turtles into humansized teenagers rather than causing them to swiftly die from radiation poisoning, they'd have been exposed to so many diseases in that dungfilled environment, they'd have lasted a week, if that. Prolonged exposure to sewage can lead to gastroenteritis, hepatitis, asthma and allergic alveolitis, plus Splinter would place them at a very real risk of contracting Weil's disease (carried in rat urine), hantavirus pulmonary syndrome and typhoid. Keeping sewage away from food is essential - eat a pizza down there, and you'll die, motherfucker.

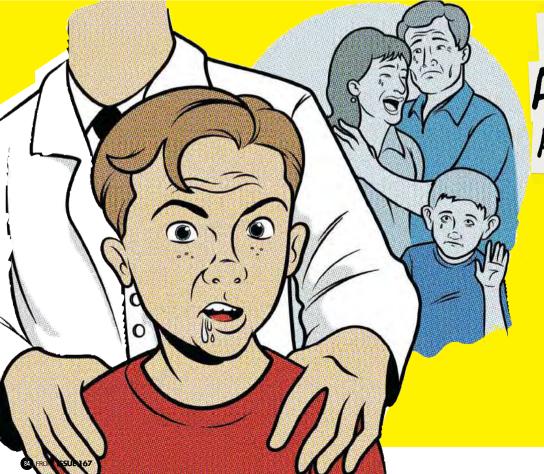
THE REALITY WOULD BE

SEVERELY UNDERWHELMING

As children, everyone wishes they could be friends with their heroes, from the screen and the page, but if it actually happened, holy shit that would be rubbish. Desperate Dan might seem like a cool dude in The Dandy, but the reality of a middle-aged man dressed as a cowboy living with his auntie and living entirely on pies isn't exactly the most exciting thing imaginable. You know Mary's brother from There's Something About Mary? He'd be like that. Also, you'd have to be the most drug-addled simpleton in the world to genuinely be entertained by a real-life Cat In The Hat.







THEY'RE ARROGANT AS FUCK

Walking around assuming the world revolves around you, and that the only interesting events on the planet have you at their centre, is sickeningly arrogant. Throw in conversations with an invisible viewer, however, and you have an extreme form of egocentric schizophrenia. Malcolm from Malcolm In The Middle, Cory from Boy Meets World, Will from The Fresh Prince Of Bel-Air... they're all one minor psychotic episode away from being bundled into the back of the loony-van, dressed in a coat with very long sleeves and placed in a room with cushioned walls to wail to themselves until the sweet release of death.

HOW TO MAKE

OUT OF KIDS' ENTERTAINMENT

GO DEEP AND MEANINGFUL

A lot of timeless children's classics are actually about deeper themes – *Peter Pan*'s about flying dudes on the surface, but is actually about the loss of innocence, while the *Narnia* books (which have sold over 100 million copies) seemed like they were about witches but were actually about how lions were made of Jesus or something.

KEEP THE ADULTS HAPPY

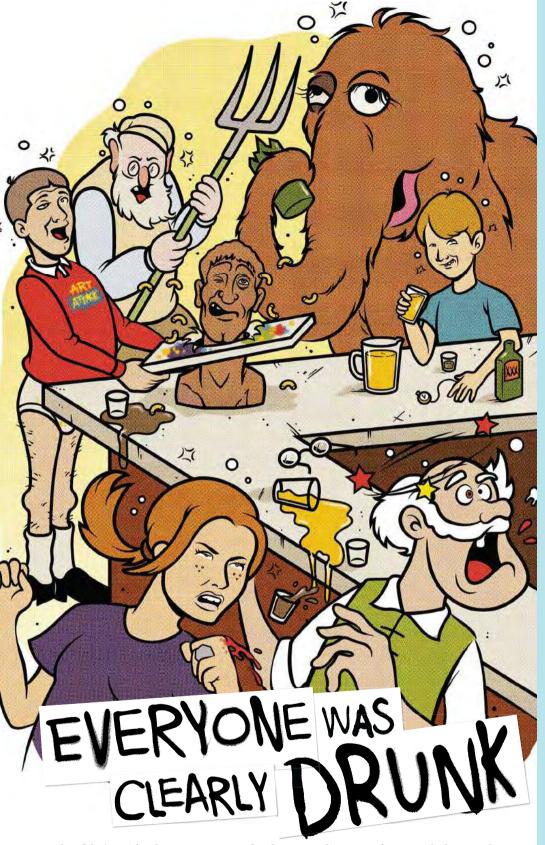
It's the mums and dads that are going to have to pay for all this shit, so you might as well do something they'll enjoy. You can appeal to their inner druggies a la *In The Night Garden*, or sneak gags in that'll go over kids' heads, like in *SpongeBob Squarepants* (which is continually Nickelodeon's highestrated show and generates untold millions every year). The starfish is gay, right?

MERCH THE SHIT OUT OF IT

There's a film called *Star Wars* – it's a bit obscure, so don't feel bad if you haven't heard of it – which in the year 2010, made over half a billion dollars in merchandising alone. The year 2010. When no Star Wars films came out. Half a billion. What the fuck? Seriously. Bearded dream-ruiner George Lucas retains all merch rights, so the fucker's worth three billion big ones.

DON'T BE TOO PRECIOUS

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles started off as a spoof of the 1980s trend for darker-than-dark antiheroes. Then, when it became clear that everyone would make a lot more money if they were wise-cracking, family-friendly, lesson-learning party dudes with a super-popular cartoon, creators Kevin Eastman and Peter Laird became very very rich. The rights to TMNT were sold a few years ago for 60 million dollars, a hell of a lot for what started as a gag.



A lot of the 'magic' and unusual events in children's stories and programmes can be attributed to the fact that everyone likes being really really pissed. The shoemaker from *The Elves And The Shoemaker* would wake up in the morning and find shoes he had no recollection of making – what a pisshead. Mr. McGregor from *Peter Rabbit* was convinced that a

group of anthropomorphic rabbits were out to get him — what a pitiful old soak. Mr. Snuffleupagus shuffled round Sesame Street slurring his words and talking to pigeons while being ignored by people — what a filthy drunkard. Neil Buchanan from Art Attack spent his time talking to a statue — hey, everyone's been ripped enough to do that, haven't they?

If you were lucky enough to be granted magical powers as a teenager, the first thing you'd use them for would be to get royally fucked up. Bernard from Bernard's Watch and Harmony from The Queen's Nose would clearly have used their abilities to halt time, magic up loads of industrial-strength booze and probably have some really pissed-up underage sex.









HEELS?

Ooh, can I have both?

MICHAEL JORDAN

Michael cos I used to have a high-heeled pair of Jordans from America. People would stop me on the street and ask me about them.

CROCS OR FROCKS?

What is a Croc and what is a frock?

CROCODILE SHOES OR BLUE SUEDE SHOES?

I don't like blue, so I guess crocodiles. JELLY SHOES OR

























THEY'VE BEEN around for longer than you, are way better-looking than you and would kick your head in in a scrap. They're the Dunks, the Reebok Pumps, the Air Maxs, the Adidas Gazelles et al: trainers so sick, they've earned their place in shoe history.



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"It's hard to say what n favourite shoe of all time is. I think it might be the Adidas Samba [above], which is an indoor soccer shoe. Hang on, this is the UK- an indoor football shoe, I'm a fan of those punk-rock bands who take classic shoes and make them different."

THE PLANET, ALL TO BLOW YOUR TINY LITTLE MINDS. WELCOME TO ...

HOW DO YOU SHOE? ED, YOUR DEMISE

WHAT ARE THE FIRST PAIR OF SNEAKERS YOU CAN REMEMBER?

I remember seeing Scottie Pippens' "Nike Air More Uptempo!" and thinking, "Those are dope". I went to see George Of The Jungle as a kid – he gets a pair and runs like, miles in them (even though they're a basketball sneaker)! And they have that obnoxious 'AIR' across the

entire side of the

sneaker. Cool.

FIRST SAW A PAIR OF JORDANS?

DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN YOU

Growing up, I was a massive fan of the Fresh Prince and in the title sequence, he's wearing a pair of Jordan 5s in the Original black and silver. Will rocks some of the dopest kicks around, it's so good! I actually own a pair of Original Jordan 5s, I think they're worth over a grand. I never wear them out, they just sit in my cupboard. If I hit hard times, at least I've got some kicks that can

get me a bit of dollar! DO YOU BUY REISSUES OR **ONLY ORIGINALS?**

I buy reissues. I mean, if I was to

go out and buy Originals I would be an extremely poor man, it's an expensive game! Obviously I would love Originals, and if I ever become ballin' I'd track down Originals and pay mad money for them.

WHAT ARE THE MOST COMFORTABLE PAIR OF JORDANS?

Personally, I would say the 11s. They make your feet sweat like fuck, but they are super comfortable. I wore my wolf-grey 11s this winter cos it was so cold, they kept my feet nice and toasty!

HOW MANY PAIRS OF TRAINERS DO YOU OWN?

Well I don't just collect Js, I fuck with all Nike kicks really. The whole Nike brand, the history behind it, the way it's been based on something - that isn't just a sneaker! I just love everything to do with sneakers, everything that comes with it.

DO YOU SEE YOURSELF EVER **OUTGROWING TRAINER COLLECTING?**

I mean, if I had a family and shit I'm sure getting new kicks would not be my priority when it comes to spending money, but I'll always love them. If I had a kid I would just end up buy them all the dope kicks instead of myself. I'm sure as I get older it'll slow down for me, but there will probably be certain releases that I won't be able to resist!



LIKE EVERYTHING, shit that was around when we were kids was about seven times better than shit that's about now children's telly, sweets, rolling around in mud all day and in some cases, trainers. Here they are, back and better than ever.



Diadora £TBA, diadora.com





Hummel Victory Retro Low-Nub £TBA, hummel.dk



Le Coq Sportif £TBA, lecoq
sportif.com



Trickers £355, present-london.com



Kickers £TBA, kickers.co.uk



Clarks Sportswear Tanner Fly Mid £100, footpatrol.co.uk



"I like shoes that are sleek, simple and the shoes that are steek, simple clean and that more importantly, can exact actually and fit. I always focus on structure and fit. I always enjoy a dress shoe for the skate line and a more skate friendly. line and a more skate-friendly

Pointer £TBA, slamcity:co.uk

THERE COMES a time in everyone's lives where a spitpolish on your favourite trainers just won't cut it. Whether it be a wedding, a bah mitzvah, your first date or that court appearance you earned for doing a wee from the top window of a double decker, you need yourself some smart shoes. But hey, they don't need to be clumpy fuckers like your grandma's orthopaedic Hush Puppies. Nah, here's a pick of the neatest shoes that'll get the girls all impressed and kissy and that.



Vans California Chukka £65, asos.com



Vans 106 Vulcanized Iggy Pop £63, hardcloud.com



Sebago £TBA, urbanoutfitters.co.uk

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HOW DO YOU SHOE?
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Airwalk Prototype 600

WHAT DO YOU LOOK AT DOING FIRST WHEN CREATING YOUR PRO SHOE?

Passion man, thats the start! Then I think of

cool shoes I've seen and skated in and combine it into one passionate shoe, AKA The Passion.

WHERE WOULD YOU REALLY LIKE TO GO WITH YOUR PRO MODELS?

I never ever want to skate in anything besides The Passion! I like to put The Passion in the air and let it loose!

WHAT'S THE BEST PAIR OF SHOES YOU'VE EVER SKATED IN?

The Passion is the best shoe on the planet! Wait, the universe! Even fucking aliens will wear my shit.

HOW LONG DO YOUR SHOES LAST, OR DO YOU PUT A FRESH PAIR ON EVERY SESSION?

A usually wear them about a week or so. But they are still good and I like to give them away. Passion samples for everyone!

OUT OF ALL THE OTHER PRO SHOES ON SUPRA, WHAT ARE YOUR FAVOURITES?

The Ellington. It's good to get hammered in!



Supra Passion £75, routeone.co.uk







Adidas Skateboarding Busenitz



Adidas Skateboarding Mark Gonzales £52, flatspot.com



THERE'S NOTHING better than a pair of box-fresh, stinkfree kicks, right? WRONG, buddy. The only thing better is a pair of box-fresh, stink-free kicks with burgers all over 'em! And it doesn't even end there. More killer colabs coming right up.



Milkerate X Sneakersnstuff X New Balance 577 £TBA, milkcratenyc.com

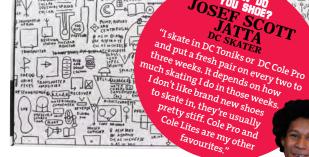


HUF X Adidas £TBA, hufworldwide.com



Vans X Colette X The Cobra Snake £TBA, colette.fr





Reebok Classics X Basquiat £TBA, reebok.co.uk





Vans Syndicate X WTAPS Sk8 High fTBA, wtaps.com



Lakai X Fourstar £63, slamcity.co.uk



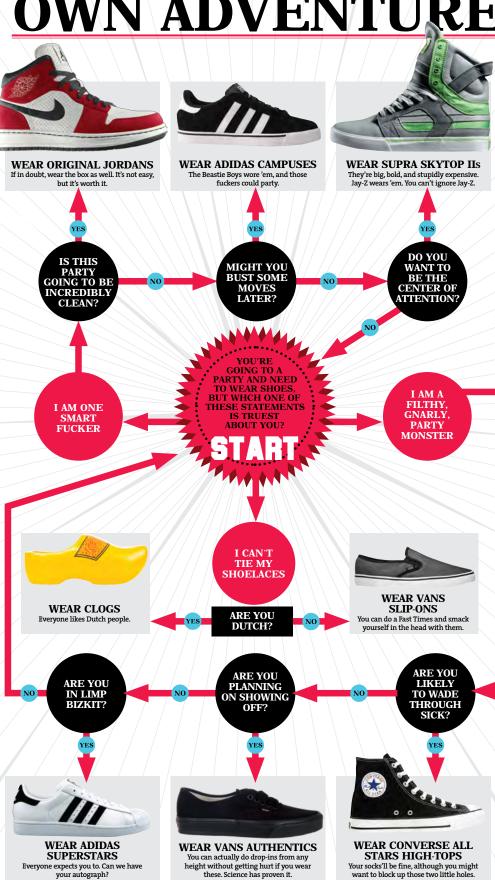
Reebok Classics X Cheap Monday £TBA, cheapmonday.com



SupremeX Comme Des Garçons £TBA, supremenewyork.com



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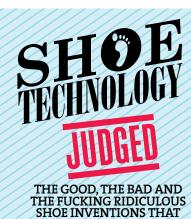




Reebok Kamikaze £TBA, reebok.com



New Balance 1500 £55, newbalance.co.uk



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ONE WAY OR ANOTHER



see your feet if you're running over a pit of crocodiles at night, bad if you don't like the idea of thinking your tripping balls on acid, or if you value image.

VERDICT: FAIL



NIKE AIR MAX

Since 1987, Air Max technology have been lovingly massaging the soles of wearers thanks to the air bubble. And it looks like you can see your kicks' guts.

VERDICT: PASS



REEBOK **PUMP**

Back in 1989, a boffin named Paul Litchfield had the bright idea of people pumping air into their shoes to make them a custom fit.

VERDICT: PASS



PUMA DISCS

When tying your laces is too much hassle, Puma come to the rescue with their lacefree system. Only, instead of looking cool, they looked a bit like you were a thicko that can't do laces up. VERDICT: FAIL



Nike Air Max 90 Lacrosse £TBA, nike.com





Toms £35, schuh.co.uk





Supra Cuttler Polka £TBA, suprafootwear.com





Shake Junt X Emerica £TBA, emerica.com



Clarks Sportswear Tawyer Mid £90, footpatrol.co.uk



Adidas Skateboarding Fairfax £TBA, flatspot.com



Nike's dead smart Hyperfuse technology gives you glueless, stitchless, light and durable stinkless shoes, thanks to the three-layer composite mesh.



VELCRO

Invented in the '40s and later used in space, velcro remains the fastening of choice for both idiots and megastars - kids who can't tie their laces love it, but Kanye West also opted to include it on his Yeezy II.

VERDICT: PASS



IF WE COULD buy them a pint, we would. If we could high five them, we would. But we can't so instead we'll celebrate their craziness in picture form. And we'll drink that pint we bought them. Thanks.



Pony £TBA, pony.com



Emerica Reynolds Cruisers Skate 3, feBay, emerica.com



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Nike SB Skunk, eBay, nikeskateboarding.com



Reebok Workout 25th Anniversary Collection §80, footpatrol.co.uk

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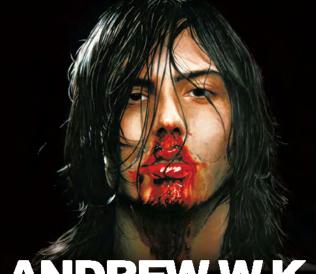
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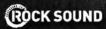
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GRAVIS

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ETNIES WES HUMPSTON COLLECTION

Taking from old-skool Dogtown-esqe designs, the Etnies Wes Humpston collection is perfect summer wear. Board shorts, back-print tees and zip hoodies can all be got, so go get 'em, yeah?

CANTERBURY RUTHERFORD

You'll know Canterbury cos your dad wears 'em, and from those ruddy good sports rugby and cricket. You know, their logo's the three Cs. This is the varsity jacket from their lifestyle range, and we bloody want one. Chocks away!



NORSE PROJECTS X PRO-KEDS

These suede beauties bring the American Pro-Keds together with Danish premium clothing brand Norse Project in a

re-working of the Royal Master shoe. Peep the cork sole - amazing.





PULL-IN SPONGEBOB SERIES

When you've got fuck all to do, watching SpongeBob makes the day fly by. Enjoy that day even more, wearing a pair of the raddest boxers you ever did see.

JANSPORT X BENNY GOLD

Benny Gold have put their touch on the JanSport Right Pack - originally these bags were limited to 50 pieces in the San Fran Benny Gold store but now Urban Industry have the European exclusive on it. Yay!





IN CROWN

THE BRAND DAMAGERS

SO TAY – THE FIRST PEOPLE TO TURN UP TO YOUR PARTY AREN'T EXACTLY SHINING BEACONS OF THE KIND OF PEOPLE YOU WANT AT YOUR PARTY.THEY'RE DOING NOTING FOR YOUR IMAGE.

T: No way, that wouldn't bother me one bit. Give them credit for showing up if they feel like they're outcasts. I welcome the nerds, they're awesome.

TUBBY SCOFFERS

SOMEONE'S INVITED GARY, THE GLUTTONOUS TUBBY PRAT FROM THE YEAR BELOW, WHO'S WADING THROUGH ALL YOUR SCOTCH EGGS AND SAUSAGE ROLLS. NOBODY CAN GET A LOOK IN.

T: Ah man, I'm usually that prat! I'm pretty at home around the snack table. The snack table is the place to be at any party, so let him carry on!

iPOD NAZIS

YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF A REAL NAZI ON THE MUSIC. HE'S PLAYING HIS NEW BAND, TWISTED NIPPLEZ, WHICH BLENDS RAP AND JAZZ FLUTE WITH GORE METAL.

T: I'm usually very nice about it and say I like it. Win the iPod back and play a load of '90s tunes that everyone can't help but love, like Limp Bizkit and Linkin Park.



THE **CURTAIN** TWITCHERS YOUR AWFUL NEIGHBOURS AND ARE BOUND TO CALL JOHN LAW TO GET YOUR PARTY CLOSED DOWN. **HOW COULD YOU SWEET-TALK** THEM ROUND? T: The obvious thing to do would be to invite them, that way if they don't come and kick off, it's not your fault. Either that, or bribe them, perhaps with food from the snack table. *CONTRACT* GOOD GRACIOUS, THE WORLD AND HIS BUMHOLE HAVE ROCKED UP. APPARENTLY, A FACEBOOK EVENT OF YOURS WENT SUPER VIRAL. T: I'd probably just be like, "Well, I don't know you. Sorry". I'd come up with more excuses until it was only friends. If that doesn't work, switch the numbers on your door with the neighbours that don't wanna party. 114 FRONT ISSUE 167

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Tee £34,
sinstarclothing.com
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Cap £TBA, starter.com
Tee by Hurley £29,







SCABBY WANKER

SOMEONE HAS SWITCHED THEIR SHIT 2.1% LAGER FOR YOUR ACE MEGA-DELICIOUS CONTINENTAL BOOZE FROM HEAVEN.

T: No two ways about it, you confront that guy. That's the least cool thing ever. I'd say, "Dude, you fucked up" and make him give our booze back. If he acted up, kick him the hell out. If he's cool about it, I'd make sure he drank all his rubbish by himself.

THE PUKER

OH NO, THAT GIRL THAT IS
ALWAYS SICK AFTER ONE DRINK
HAS ARRIVED! SHE GOT THE NAME
PUKING WENDY FOR A REASON,
AND SHE'S GETTING VERY, VERY
CLOSE TO THE BOOZE TABLE.

T: Hmm, I'm not really sure about this one. I guess it may be a good idea to get her to remember how bad she feels after drinking. I'd give her another shot and get her to puke again. That'll teach her.

CAN WAT

Q&A TAY JARDINE

HELLO TAY FROM WE ARE THE IN CROWD, NICE WORK WITH OUR PARTY PROBLEMS. HOW DID YOU ENJOY OUR SHOOT?

Seriously, that was our favourite shoot we've done as a band. It really suited our humour, like, we're a really sarcastic group of people. As soon as we left we were talking about how fun it was.

HOLD UP, YOU SOUND ALL BUNGED UP AND FLUEY. DID YOU GET THE LURGY OFF US WHILE YOU WERE OVER HERE?

I actually started getting sick after hanging with you guys, so maybe, we've been so busy since being back here that I've not had a chance to recover or anything.

YOU'LL BE WELL ENOUGH TO PARTY HERE IN THE UK ON YOUR FIRST HEADLINE TOUR THROUGH APRIL THOUGH, RIGHT?

Hell yeah. We're too excited about coming over. It's our first headliner, so we're also pretty nervous at the same time. As a band, we always party much harder when we are over here. When the Super Bowl was on, we were over and definitely raged all night. FRONT



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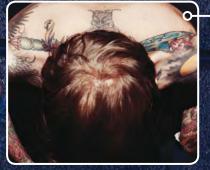






WHITE FANG FAN

There's not a huge story behind this. A lot of my tattoos are animalbased. I've always had a fascination with wolves because of how powerful they are. I had a girlfriend who had an Alaskan malamute, which is basically the closest purebred dog you can get to a wolf, so that was another reason for getting it.



CUT THROAT

This was my first tattoo. I was 19 and had been looking through tattoo mags for years. Oli [Sykes] has something similar, his brother Tom has a broken skateboard sticking out his neck and Matt [drums] has a lightsaber though his neck. Dan Smith from LA Ink did mine, he actually started his career in my hometown, Adelaide.

PRECIOUS

is a pretty standard knuckle tattoo, but my career in music. I'm not the biggest rock'n'roll fan, but band' done.



time in my life. I'd just broken up with a long-term girlfriend, and it was the first time I was properly single. When you're single in a band, you notice that there are a lot of soulless females out there after only one thing.

ROCK AND ROCK'N'ROLL Yeah, rock and roll

it symbolises my commitment to it's cooler than getting 'music' or



GIRLS, GIRLS, GIRLS

I had this done at a weird



WHO HE?

GOT MY BACK

This is perhaps the only tattoo with any meaning. I'm not religious at all, but when my grandma passed away I had this done with the dates she was alive and her initials. I think she'll probably be looking out for me. I'm not superspiritual, but it's just a nice thing, you know?



UNDERWATER **SLAUGHTER**

Again, this is an animal I'm fascinated by. I'm scared too, but the fear fuels my fascination. We're talking about touring in South Africa so we can do shark diving. One of the most famous shark attacks happened at a beach called Silver Sands where I used to swim every day. Crazy.

TOUR LEGS

This is my tour tattoo leg. At the bottom, I have Thor's hammer. I was at a cool festival out in Norway called Hove, and had it done the day I met my girlfriend. The text says 'show me your tits' in Norwegian, too. I didn't make me see any boobs, but the girls thought it was cute. I've also got a Rolling Stones mouth with a shark coming out of it cos of a song my first band I Killed The Prom Queen wrote called Sharks In Your Mouth. There's also a panda to represent those scene girls that put too much makeup on.



NICKED NECK PIECE

Since seeing Jacob Bannon from Converge's neck piece, I've always wanted a throat tattoo. Because I have a career in music, I wasn't afraid to get a job-stopping tattoo. It was a real awkward session, to lay down with my head dangling over the bed and not swallow.



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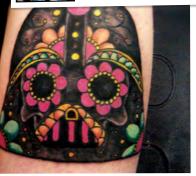


NAME: Adam Cox **AGE:** 21 **COST:** £85 WHO DUNNIT: Keith at Skindeep in Hemsworth, West Yorkshire



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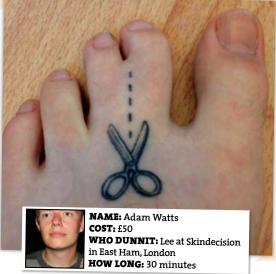


NAME: Richard Flowers **AGE:** 27 COST: £60 **WHO DUNNIT:** Stefan Cooper at House



NAME: Emma Alexandra **AGE:** 23 COST: £170 WHO DUNNIT: Ricky at Tattoo Monkey in Southampton





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WHO DUNNIT: Amy Victoria Savage



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A HOLE NEW WORLD

How do you approach beginning to put your finger up a girls butthole? I'm torn between asking outright (but

potentially spoiling the moment), just chucking my finger up that thing and hoping for the best, and pretending I accidentally fell inside it. Can you help?

Joe C. Kent

Putting ones finger inside a bumhole shouldn't really be thought about unless it is your mothers or it is a policeman's. Girls occasionally like to have all holes filled. However, there are times when they don't, like if they've recently had diarrhoea or have piles. So before entering, give it a little test rub. If she hits your hand, back off. No hitting, push it right in.



OFF THE RAILS

I recently had a wank on a train between Bristol

Temple Meads and Newport. There wasn't anyone about, and I really fancied one. When I casually mentioned this to my housemate Henry, he told me I had broken the law and was now a sex offender. Is this true?

Ben. Newport

You are not a sex offender if no one saw, and if it's on the train with only the CCTV cameras and passing cows as your audience, you're just a happy exhibitionist. If you were wanking into the eyes of an elderly lady asleep on the opposite carriage and she woke up to a sticky eye full of man juice, then you'd be a bit more sex offendery I'd say.

GREASE LIGHTNING

I was recently cooking chips in my deep fat fryer in the nude, and splashed my balls with hot fat. I fucking loved it! Now the smell of chip fat gets me all fizzy, and I love girls with hair you could fry an egg in. How can I get girls to never wash their hair again? JC, Hatfield

Totally with you on that, washing your hair is such a fucking bore. Perhaps you should try dating girls with dreads? I had dreads once and ended up having to shave my entire head to get the bastards out. I found two spiders, a cigarette and my travel card in there which was ace.



FANNY YOU SHOULD ASK...

Hi Von. What's it like having a fanny?

Stu, Hampshire

Having a fanny is like having a hairless pet rat: some of them are offensive to the eye, but mostly cute. If you poke them enough they squeal, some of them smell like bins and it's fun to see how many small objects you can shove up inside them. My personal best is 19.



MIDNIGHT WOOD

I presume you're some kind of scientist – can you

tell me why I can't sleep if I've got a hard-on? You'd think that having less blood in your brain would be really conducive to nodding off. But it isn't. What's the shit with that? Mike, London

What use is an erection to a sleeping man other than being an object of obstruction when trying to get comfortable, or for the perversion of others? God doesn't like a wasted erection either, and an angel dies every time a man nods off with one.

WHAT I'M INTO THIS MONTH

I have been plying Charlotte with vodka, so that when she's asleep she is more willing to take my entire fist and not just three

FISTY, MY HAIRLESS RAT This is Fisty, my hairles rat, isn't he a pretty one?

she thinks it's Coke.

fingers. That cup is pure vodka,

You can see how he's easily comparable to a vagina.

When I'm doing the sex I do rather enjoy dressing up as either a zombie or a doll with

black eyes called Little Miss Sticky Kiss. This is me being her before I did some sex.

PARTYING WITH TOWIE Sometimes I get let out

to parties. This week I was unlucky enough to find myself at a party with 'celebrities' from The Only Way Is Essex. Just after this was taken, the rohypnol kicked in and we got to steal Kurt's lovely bright eyes straight from the sockets.



Sometimes I make Charlotte spank me and all my gal pals. It scares her face but deep down I know she finds it interesting.



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NEWHUNSIGNED



AMONGST CARRION

The metal/hardcore Welsh five-piece band has just released a debut EP, We That Should Not Be. If you like fast riffs and heavy breakdowns, then go give your ears a little treat. FOR FANS OF: Bring Me The Horizon, Parkway Drive and August Burns Red.



7 DAY WEEKEND

Seven-day weekend? We like the sound of that! We also like the sound of the band's hard-hitting guitars and emotive lyrics. The lads have already completed a headline tour this year and a music video for their track Hide is on the cards. FOR FANS OF: Young Guns and Deaf Havana.



CITY MINUS HERO

This four-piece post-hardcore band from High Wycombe combines powerful breakdowns with upbeat choruses, bringing a fresh new sound to scene. Check out the tunes on Facebook.

FOR FANS OF: A Day To
Remember, Silverstein
and Lower Than Atlantis.

■ facebook.com/cityminushero

TAKING HAYLEY

Despite being together for just over a year, the four pop-rockers from Birmingham have sold out dates across the country on their first headline tour. This year they're supporting McFly as a warmup for their April tour, all while working on a debut album. FOR FANS OF: All Time Low, Kids in Glass Houses and Young Guns.



FAKE THE ATTACK

With a spiky female frontlady, Hampshire heroes Fake The Attack have been super busy creating infectious poprock since 2009 and have now released their debut six-track EP, You Call This Freedom, which you can find on iTunes. Check out their Facebook for more on the band. FOR FANS OF: Jimmy Eat World, You Me At Six and Futures.



KAOSS THEORY

Kaoss Theory is a metalcore band from Glenrothes, Scotland that formed in early 2011. Their tight, energetic and interactive live performances are not to be missed – the guitarist might even jump in the crowd if you're lucky. Look out for the recently self-released debut EP, Machines FOR FANS OF: Killswitch Engage, Architects and The Devil Wears Prada.



NO RECORD LABEL? NO WORRIES! HERE'S THIS MONTH'S UNDERGROUND HEROES



TO GET YOUR BAND IN FRONT, CONTACT JADE SPIRO AT NEWUNSIGNED@FRONTARMY.CO.UK



The hardcore Londoners have made their mark on the metal scene with the release of their debut EP, This Is The Famous.

If you like the sound of grooving riffs and huge breakdowns backed up with bright melodies and all-round heavy grandeur, nab a free download online. **FOR FANS OF:** August Burns Red, Your Demise, and Parkway Drive.

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LIFE ON STANDBY

Life On Standby's cutting edge combination of electronica, hardcore and pop is creating a stir with their debut EP, Set The Sail, out now. Go brighten your day with a little eclectic joy. FOR FANS OF: Enter Shikari, Biffy Clyro, Paramore, Komatoze, Pettybone and Muse.



THE DEAD BETAS

Despite being from lovely tranquil Devon, these guys are a tornado of raw, angry, adrenaline-fuelled synth-punk.

FOR FANS OF: Enter Shikari, UK Subs, Gallows and Black Flag.





After sharing stage space with Iron Chic, Crazy Arm, Talons, Shapes and Deaf Havana, the Lincoln lads are back with a new EP, Growing Pains.

FOR FANS OF: Futures, Reuben, Twin Atlantic and Blakfish.

■ facebook.com/lowerlands

THIS IS TWO

This Is Two is a fourpiece post-hardcore band based in Liverpool. Their sound merges super tight riffs and dexterous vocals with more delicate moments. Check out their new EP, Veins, available to your ears now.

ears now.

FOR FANS OF: Reuben,
Fightstar and Biffy Clyro.





WHITE COMIC

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> **REAR**END**MUSIC** <

BLACK BREATH

SENTENCED TO LIFE



IT'S DIFFICULT to truly summarise just how skullfuckingly brilliant Black Breath's Sentenced To Life

is, so we'll just steam straight in and say that this is, arguably, the greatest metal album of the last couple of years. Combining the breakneck reckless abandon of thrash, the aggression of Converge firing on all cylinders, riffs that make you feel like your bowels are trying to escape through your arsehole and a Motörhead-inspired chug to cap it all off, Black Breath serve up pretty much everything that's great about metal in one melting pot of awesomeness. Home Of The Grave slugs away

like a Klitschko brother, Feast
Of The Damned adds an almost
hardcore element to its vocals
without compromising its fullon metal assault, Endless Corpse
moves from psychedelic doom
to schizophrenic thrash without
breaking a sweat, and the whole
album clocks in at around the
33-minute mark. Quite frankly, if
you like metal, you have to have
this album in your life. It'll blow
your fucking mind.

IN A NUTSHELL:

BLACK BREATH MAKE THE MOST EXHILARATING METAL ALBUM YOU WILL HEAR THIS YEAR. YOU NEED THIS ALBUM LIKE THE WORLD NEEDS TITS.



FURTHER LISTENING

THE BANDS FORMING THE MOST EXCITING MOVEMENT IN METAL FOR AGES



BAND: Trap Them
FORMED: 2001
FROM: Louisville, Kentucky
SOUNDS LIKE: Grindcore/hardcore crossover in the
vein of Entombed's Wolverine Blues
ESSENTIAL LISTENING: Darker Handcraft



BAND: Kvelertak
FORMED: 2007
FROM: Stavanger, Norway
SOUNDS LIKE: Rock'n'roll blasted by a band raised
on black metal and hardcore punk. In Norwegian
ESSENTIAL LISTENING: Kvelertak



BAND: Mammoth Grinder
FORMED: 2005
FROM: Austin, Texas
SOUNDS LIKE: Explosive riffing, large instrumental
sections and the sound of pure evil
ESSENTIAL LISTENING: Mammoth Grinder/Hatred Surge





YOUR DEMISE



IMAGINE IF Jason Voorhees was in Anchorman. The film would still be funny,

but it's weird watching someone you're used to seeing shanking people in a comedy. The Golden Age is its musical equivalent. Your Demise's chunky metallic guitar sound remains, but their newfound love of sugar-coated choruses is a head-fuck on the first listen. But, once you accept their refusal to play the hardcore game, this album's got serious tunes all over it. With nods to the likes of The Movielife, Pennywise and The Offspring, this album is going to bang in the summer months. Trust.

IN A NUTSHELL:

HARDCORE HIPSTERS SWAP BEATDOWNS FOR SKATE-PUNK.



ANTI-FLAG THE GENERAL STRIKE



ANTI-FLAG IT'S ALL WELL and good ranting about politics and why Ronald McDonald's a

cunt and that, but it's been a while since Anti-Flag delivered an album of note. The General Strike isn't going to set the world on fire, but it's a considerable improvement on their last couple of outings. The blue collar rage of 1915 has a touch of latter-day Against Me! to it, and he sneering approach on The Ranks Of The Masses Rising and Rancidesque Turn A Blind Eye are killer.

IN A NUTSHELL: PUNK ANTHEMS FOR THE TARTAN AND STRONGBOW GANGS.



RUSKO



BRINGING THE pain with his first album in nearly two years, dubstep producer and

all-round electro bad-ass Rusko drops an album full of pumping feel-good jams. Pressure and Thunder are a fearless pair of Saturday night anthems, a large chunk of Songs is grimy while keeping the true essence of dub that the more trend-conscious have been all too quick to drop. And, there's a tune on here called Asda Car Park that could only be better if it added the word 'mosh' to the end of its title. It feels a bit one-dimensional at points but in the vast majority, this album tastes like victory.

IN A NUTSHELL:

A COLLECTION OF GRIMY AND GLAMOROUS BANGERS.



BLOOD RED

IN TIME TO VOICES



FLITTING BETWEEN tripped-out ambient shoegaze, cutesy indierock and post-punk

stomp, Blood Red Shoes' third opus is an ambitious affair. It throbs with sexuality and Laura Mary Carter's ability to be intensely dramatic without being conceited or stageschool. They should be applauded for the amount of ground they cover, and while some experiments work better than others (the fuzzed-up punk on Je Me Perds falls flatter than Flat Stanley on the Atkins diet), In Time To Voices is brave and bold.

IN A NUTSHELL: TRIPPY INDIE-ROCK FOR THE CARDIGAN BRIGADE.



HAWK EYES



CHANNELLING THE rockier end of Queens Of The Stone Age with something altogether

more menacing, the spiralling hype surrounding Hawk Eyes is justified from the opening seconds of this hairy beast of an album. With artier attempts on previous efforts replaced with a stick-a-fucking-riff-in-there attitude, jaw-dropping forays into math-rock territories and a beautiful unpredictability in their approach, Hawk Eyes are certain to win a shitton of new friends with this bad boy.

IN A NUTSHELL:

SCHIZO BEARDY RIFFING FROM A CRIMINALLY UNDERRATED BAND.

Out 26 March



MASS EFFECT 3

PS3/XBOX 36O/PC

BIOWARE FANS tend to fall into two camps: the olde worlde let's-fight-dragons camp and the pewpew-pew-space camp, with little crossover. This is either going to be your bag or it's not. If the idea of running around shooting aliens in space bores you to tears then it won't be for you, but if Carl Sagan is your boy and cutscenes get you hard, then Mass Effect 3 will be the best space RPG you ever played IN YOUR LIFE.

Story-wise, it is predictably unpredictable and almost immediately, you'll notice tropes from previous games. You know what to expect with Mass Effect - it brings familiar faces and locations to the table alongside a get-the-teamtogether-against-insurmountableodds – oh-shit-a-big-twist plot. The threat of the Reapers has come to fruition so you have to go around collecting members of each planetary race to help you fight what seems to be a losing battle. Past decisions come back to haunt you, as do your ties with Cerberus, which seems to be there to foil you at every turn, with the Illusive Man dismissing you as a relic. We're pretty convinced with each new addition to the series, they just make the game a bit shinier. But that's not to say with ME3 that they haven't stepped a bit out of the box – integrating Kinect voice commands (which helps to speed up conversations for those not fond of the wheel) and taking out some

of the boring bits like the planetary mining/scanning from the last game.

REAREND**GAMES**

The option in the game to choose between action, RPG, and story mode is an absolute touch that tailors the game to your specific needs and playing style, with action mode turning the game into more of a shooter, and story mode pretty much reducing ME3 to an interactive movie. It's almost like having three games in one. Ideally, you'd play it on RPG mode for a more ME1 experience, but the other two modes do help the game become more accessible to new players as the story is explained as you progress without being hammered in. Obviously if you're importing your ME2 character, you will have a more fulfilling experience but it's not a pre-requisite. With a 15-20 hour main quest play-through time (40 hours with side missions) and tons of fun weapon upgrades, it's good value for money and worth it just to see Commander Shepherd's story through to its conclusion. All loose ends will be tied by the end of days. Let's hope the Normandy has got it in it to pull through...

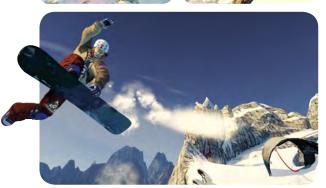
IN A NUTSHELL:

SO GOOD, IT HAD ME SAYING THINGS LIKE, "OH THAT ILLUSIVE MAN... HE'S SO ILLUSIVE!" AND, "DAMMIT ALIEN BITCH, WHY CAN'T I GET MY DICK WET?". I EVENTUALLY DID.



Out now





AH, SSX. I have fond memories of many a day spent wagging school pretending I had rabies just to play SSX Tricky on PS2. Since then, extreme sports gaming has got a lot more technical, but what I like about the new SSX is how easy it is to get into. The control system is smooth and responsive and based on various straightforward button combinations (along with a much-needed rewind button). Due to some lovingly executed real-life mountain mapping, SSX is more open-world than previous titles, allowing you more freedom

to explore – there's an explore mode that encourages you to challenge your friends. Story mode or World Tour sees you challenged with conquering the world's nine deadliest descents using a combination of the best snowboarders in the world. The main narrative is largely forgettable and the game truly shines in Global Events, its online multiplayer mode. There's just a lot less pissing about than with lobbies.

Of course, one of the main selling points of SSX has always been the tunes. The dub-heavy soundtrack features Nero, Skrillex, and a Pretty Lights remix of It's Tricky by Run-D.M.C. It's like skiving all over again!

IN A NUTSHELL: SUPER FUN.





MORE AWESOME TRIOS



LORD OF THE RINGS

A load of men trekking across the troubled lands of Middle Earth, resisting temptation to put their finger into Frodo's ring along the way? Pretty fucking awesome.

THE THREE MUSKETEERS

All for one and one for all! Yeah, it's those badass musketeers. Oh hey, D'Artagnan, cheers for coming along and fucking everything up. Pfft, like the Four Musketeers sounds good.





MAGNETIC MAN

Awesome dubstep trio Skream, Benga and the other one, making music that gives us happy in the good places. They do have trouble getting through airport security though, fuck knows why.







RESIDENT EVIL: OPERATION RACCOON CITY

PS3/XBOX 360/PC

QUITE WHAT Slant Six Games were thinking when they decided to turn Resident Evil into a multiplayer where you play half of it as Umbrella, I don't know. The other half you play as a Special Ops team, but I couldn't get that far as I had already thrown the game in the bin. The controls are horrible in a way that makes the game unplayable. Bosses are almost impossible due to a clumsy control



system and geriatric reloading speeds. The whole thing's the gaming equivalent of hitting your head repeatedly against a brick wall, and is about as scary as Care Bears. It's the worst game I've played this year.

IN A NUTSHELL: A HORRIBLE CASH-IN ON A BELOVED SERIES.



GAMES WE'D LIKE TO SEE



You know the game Donkey Kong, yeah? Imagine that, right, only completely shit. Its even spelled wrong on the packaging. It's that shit.





STARRING: LIAM NEESON, RIHANNA, TAYLOR KITSCH, ARMY PEOPLE

IF ALIENS WERE on Facebook and there was a Dicking With Earth page, they'd like that shit super fast. We're never too far away from an on-screen bumming courtesy of E.T. and friends, and this time, we have a massive game of Battleships with them. Yep, that shitty game your grandad forced you to play as a kid is now a Hollywood mega movie with huge explosions, sassy film stars and Rihanna, for some reason. These space baddies are well sneaky too. They've been hiding under the ocean thinking nasty thoughts and waiting for us humans to come a-knockin'. Now they're ready to unleash holy hell against a fleet of naval ships

and submarines lead by a shouty Liam Neeson. Fucking aliens. They never actually do come in peace, do they?

If you're the type that gets rigidly erect at the thought of guns, bullets and big old fireballs then this popcorn movie will have you sperming all over the latest issue of Guns & Ammo. What's more, if it does well, you can guarantee there'll be loads more big-screen board game flicks heading our way. We're crossing our dicks for a Buckaroo movie next year. That's prime Adam Sandler material, that is.

IN A NUTSHELL: E.T. LIKES BOARDGAMES TOO.



Out 11 April

Q[&]**A** PETER BERG, DIRECTOR

HOW DIFFICULT WAS IT TO BALANCE THE SCI-FI, STAR CAST AND STORYLINE?

Star cast is irrelevant. Okay, if you get Will Smith, maybe not. But today, the movie star system is gone. Now it's about spectacle. Something like an alien component that feels real and engaging and unique that can blow people's fucking minds. It's gotta be universal – a beautiful woman is universal. Get a gorgeous human being if you wanna make a blockbuster. Do you put fat men on the cover of your magazine? Exactly.

HOW DID YOU PICK THE CAST?

I'm no master chef, but I make a good spaghetti sauce – a little bit of Liam Neeson, Rihanna in an unglamorous role rather a big red wig shaking her ass, a handsome, tall, serious Alex Skarsgard and Taylor Kitsch, who's funny as fuck and very self-deprecating. To me, that works better than loading a movie with pseudo-stars.





FURTHER VIEWINGS

SERIOUSLY, WHAT'S THIS?

Set ten years after the last one, good guy Perseus is forced to do battle with Hades and the fighty Titans after he kidnaps his all-powerful dad, Zeus. Jeez Hades, chill. Stop being such a killjoy...

ANY FUCKING GOOD THEN?



than its 2010 counterpart, Clash Of The Titans. There's

loads of ace action bits and dead cool Titan-bashing scenes to make you "ooh" and "aah" your silly violence-loving face off.

IN A NUTSHELL: A GODLIKE GOOD TIME.



In this prequel to John Carpenter's ace 1982 remake, plucky young brain-box Kate gets more than she bargained for when she arrives in Antarctica to do some science on an alien body. Little does she know it's actually a shape-shifter that loves killing people. Typical.

Despite everyone moaning at the thought of someone messing with Carpenter's original version, this new one's actually creepier than a clown singing you a lullaby in a cave. You can thank some awesome special effects and proper bum-clenching who's who?' tensionfilled scenes for that.

IN A NUTSHELL: FAIR DECENT





Hugo spends his days fucking around with clocks in a railway station. He must fix a robot and unravel the mystery of a grumpy shopkeeper with a moustache.

What's this? A Scorsese movie without loads of guns, gangsters and fuckity fuck words in it? For children? Well then, it must be the shitest

thing since sliced shit, right? Wrong – instead, this mega-director comes good on crafting a proper fun fantasy tale.

IN A NUTSHELL: EPIC KIDS' FILM.



After a young boy shits his pants to death, an olden days Ghostbuster or erm, debunker, is called out to a remote boys' school to help solve some spooky goings, only to find that ghosts might be real after all.

There're hardly any good ghostie movies these days, so to find one that keeps you guessing and cowering under your Ninja

in fright is well rare. This one does both of these things. Better dust off the old nightlight... **IN A NUTSHELL:**

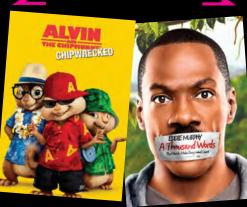
GHOSTS ARE SCARY.

SWERVE THIS

Turtles duvet

ALVIN & THE 3: CHIPWRECKED

Hollywood loves doing big shits on childhood memories. Here's the latest reminder of why some things are best kept in the '80s, like Pauly Shore and Bowie's ball-hugging Labyrinth pants.



A THOUSAND WORDS

Dear Eddie Murphy, please stop doing unfunny kids' film bollocks as it makes us sad. Seeing you now is like seeing a once-cool friend who's banged his head and forgotten who he is. Yours sincerely, The World.





FOR A FELLA with a girl's name, Carroll Shelby hasn't done too bad. The ex racecar driver created the monstrous Shelby AC Cobra back in the '60s, which is why Ford still uses his name for their fast cars. The big 'Stang has a dirty great V8 with a supercharger bolted on to give it 650bhp. It's got race-spec brakes, electronic suspension, and looks pretty damn hot. But better still is the fact that the roof has been lopped off, so you can hear that evil-sounding V8 every time you floor it, which we would - lots. If we had 80 grand. Carroll Shelby is 89 now, so prefers a nice sit down and a biscuit.

IN A NUTSHELL:

NICE ONE GRANDDAD!













NICE AIRBAGS

A Brazilian model claims her massive fake tits saved her life when she crashed her car, according to The Sun. Sheyla Hershey says her recordbreaking 38KKK wangers cushioned the impact, as she wasn't wearing a seatbelt. Unfortunately, she's also been charged with drink driving.



COS I'M WORTH IT

A Chinese woman has managed to pull two jeeps using just her hair. Xu Huijin weighs under eight stone, but moved the jeeps with a combined weight of 4.5 tonnes with her barnet.



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ZANE

Who the fuck is Alex Zane? A trendy weaselfaced major cunt who's shit enough on Rude Tube, and now thinks he has the right to do film

reviews for The Sun! He gave Attack The Block five stars, a contender for shittest film of the century, and The Hangover Part II two stars, what a clueless cunt! And what the fuck's with the stubbly chin, get a shave you tit!

James and Josh, via e-mail

Hey dudes, if someone's film criticism is the worst thing you can pull them up on (and to be honest, Attack The Block was pretty good, and The Hangover Part II was exactly the same as the first one), they can't be that bad. Thing is, though, it's Alex Zane, so onto the Cuntdown he'll go!

John Dena is a shit wrestler, makes the shittest films, and now he's waving the green flag to start the Daytona 500. A cunt to start a race enjoyed by several other fat American cunts.

John Oorymeade, via e-mail

You've spelt John Cena's name wrong, you bumbaclart. In fact, you may well have spelt your own name wrong as well - what kind of made-up surname is Oorymeade?

For these reasons, plus the clear fact that John Cena really isn't a cunt, he's going nowhere near the Cuntdown.



WALLACE AND TORODE

Yo! Putting Gregg Wallace and John Torode on the Cuntdown probably needs no explanation but these two giant cunts also represent food critics as a whole. These selfappointed taste-bud elites make a career out of criticising other people's careers and manage to do so in a painfully smug way. I would like to see them chopped up, cooked into a pasty and eaten by a chef, who could then point out the lack of soul and character of the dish. Get off your high horses and admit that you quite enjoy battered sausage and chips for tea, you talentless, pretentious, smug-faced cunts.

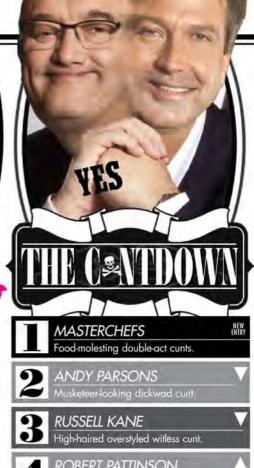
Justin Towle, via e-mail

We'd like to say yes, Justin, because your name sounds like it's a pun (like Justin Time or Justin Sane), yet clearly isn't ('just in towel'? what?), and that's impressive. Also, you put forward a strong argument. Fuck it, chuck 'em on. Chuck 'em on at the top, the cake-chomping cue-ball and the steak-fingering Aussie twat.

OSMAN

Someone kill Richard from Pointless or alternatively, stick him on the Cuntdown. His shit cunting fucker jokes mean whenever my boyfriend watches Pointless, I punch the TV screen. Die, cunty Richard! Claire, Dorset, via e-mail

Claire, your boyfriend sounds like he spends too much time watching bad telly. You can probably do better. Hey, what are you doing later? If we put Richard Osman on the Cuntdown, do you fancy grabbing a drink? Your hair looks lovely today, by the way. Onto the Cuntdown, Osman!



ROBERT PATTINSON

EDWARD CULLEN Face-like-an-anaemic-cornflake veggie cunt

ALEX ZANE YouTube-isn't-telly-you-cunt cunt.

RICHARD OSMAN Wacky fact-toting cun

ONE DIRECTION Ten-legged cunt brigade

JEREMY KYLE AND FRIENDS

DRAKE

Put that overrated, talentless, cunt I hear on the radio every five minutes that makes every girl under the age of 25 wet, Drake, onto the Cuntdown.

Ryan Jones, Bristol

He's shagged Rihanna, is friends with Lil Wayne, and has a fan so devoted to him, his name's tattooed on her forehead. Can you say any of those things, Ryan? No? So no.





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